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ANNOUNCEMENTS.

WE are authorized to announce MARION MAY as a candidate for Justice of the Peace at the approaching election, subject to the action of the Republican township convention.

WE are authorized to announce WILLIAM H. SHOTT as a candidate for Justice of the Peace, subject to the decision of the Republican township convention.

LOCAL NEWS.

TEETH, $8—Hoskins & Moore, dentists

NERVE GRASS is the slang name for celery.

EARLY in March the county board of supervisors will meet in regular session.

NEW spring shades in kid gloves and mousquetaire suede gloves, just received at Linn & Scruggs D. G. & C. Co.

THE latest way to express your opinion that a man is a fool is to say: "He's only ten minutes ahead of paresis."

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T. PENTWARE will have his city railway ticket office with George P. Blume, 249 North Water street. Tickets on sale to all points.

THE members of the Republican county central committee will meet at Attorney Clokey's office in court house block at 11 a. m. next Saturday Feb. 27th.

WE have just received large invoices of fresh garden and flower seeds. The Spencer & Lehman Company, corner Main and Wood streets. feb17.d&w2m

DON'T fail to call at C. B. Prescott's music store when you want inside figures on standard pianos and organs. The Haines Upright pianos are the boss.

THE H. O. Allen stock sale at Harristown yesterday was largely attended, and everything brought good prices. Many notes were given, but $1200 in cash was received.

N. W. RUCKER has bought the Combs' restaurant, 114 North Water street, where he is prepared to serve good, square meals for 25 cents. Lunch at all hours. Oysters in every style. 25-w1m

INCORPORATION papers have been issued to the Moultrie County Dairy company, Sullivan, Moultrie county; capital, $5,200; incorporators, M. L. Lour, G. W. Monroe, L. B. Scroggin.

WORD has been received in this city from Riverside, Cal., to the effect that Justus Lukens was very sick at his home in that city and that his death was momentarily expected. Justus was formerly cashier at the Consolidated Tank Line office.

REMEMBER that Ayer's Cherry Pectoral has no equal as a specific for coughs, colds and all affections of the throat and lungs. For nearly half a century it has been a greater demand than any other remedy for pulmonary complaints. All druggists have it for sale.

Sunday School Conventions.

Yesterday afternoon the township officers of the county Sunday school association met in the Y. M. C. A. rooms to arrange dates for conventions. J. R. Gorin county president, E. H. Jeffres, H. C. Bower, A. P. Hill, W. B. Corbett were present, and others had been heard from. Dates were arranged as follows, but will of course be subject to change: Austin, May 15; Oakley, May 23; Maroa, May 29; Whitmore, May 29; Harristown, May 22; Blue Mound, May 29; Pleasant View, May 15; Wheatland, June 12; Macon, June 19; Milam, June 26; Long Creek June 12; Illini, June 19; Hickory Point, June 26; Niantic, June 12; Mt. Zion, May 15; Friends Creek, July 3. The date for the county convention at Blue Mound has been fixed for September 8 and 9.

The Great Success

of our "Art Room Sale" is evidence that the buying public know our bargain sales are always real bargains, and like everything we keep, just as they should be. It will only last during February. Don't be behind hand, and you will say you never heard of such bargains in piano lamps, hanging lamps, onyx tables, beautiful art potteries from all the celebrated manufacturers in the world, cut glass, fancy china plates from the finest makers on earth. OTTO E. CURTIS & BRO.

THE FIRE DEMON

Total Destruction of the Handsome Library Block.

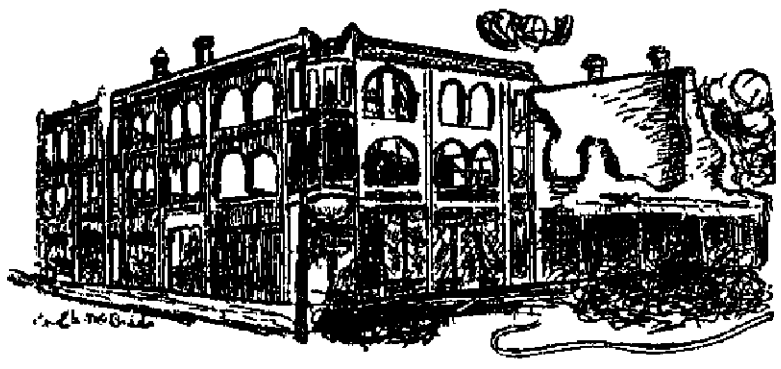
LOSS, $100,000; INSURANCE, $56,000

Start of the Flames in the Steam Bakery—Close Call for the Methodist Church—Tenants Out of Places—Losses and Insurance in Detail—The Block to be Rebuilt—Notes and Incidents.

From Monday's Daily.

The Library Block, one of the best blocks in the city, was completely destroyed by fire last night. The fire was discovered about 11 o'clock, and within three hours the entire block was destroyed. The fire department did everything it could but outside of saving the First M. E. church it is doubtful whether it did any good. The fire was simply out of proportion with the department's facilities for fighting fire.

Library Block occupied the space on William street, between the First Methodist church and North Main street, and was built four years ago by Roberts and Greene. It was of brick and of modern style, and was occupied on the ground floor by the Decatur Steam Bakery company; Smith, Hubbard & Co., manufacturing pharmacists; J. B. Bullard, undertaker; Western Union Telegraph company; W. D. Chambers, tents and awnings; W. F. Neisler, pharmacy, and the Decatur Cornice works. On the second floor was the Decatur Public Library, Dr. J. S. King's residence apartments and office, Nicholls & Barnes' insurance office, A. Derwood Smith, Equitable an Building and Loan society, and the W. C. T. U. rooms. On the third floor was Brown's Business College and Chevalier Bayard K. of P. lodge room.



LIBRARY BLOCK AFTER THE FIRE DRAWN BY THE "REPUBLICAN" ARTIST.

The fire was discovered near the oven in the Decatur Steam Bakery Co.'s rooms, in the east end of the block, and when discovered had gained, apparently, but little headway; in fact when the advance of the fire department reached the building it was thought that the chemical engine and a few moment's work would be all that would be necessary to extinguish the fire. After working a few minutes, however, the fact became apparent the fire was worse than anticipated; the steamer was put to work and the battle was on in great earnest. Inside of ten minutes it was evident that the fire department could not save this part of the building. The streams that were pouring into the flames made no impression whatever save on the most exterior portions of the wooden frames in the windows and doors. At 12 o'clock several thousand people had gathered on the sidewalks on North Main and East William streets. The great tongues of fire as they darted toward the sky lit up the faces of those who were witnessing the destruction. There was no confusion. The amazement was so great that men and women addressed each other in whispers. The firemen and other workers darted hither and thither seeking opportunities to get advantage of the flames; but it was no use—foot by foot the fire consumed everything it came in contact with. At about 12:30 o'clock three firemen stood in the alley near the walls of the First M. E. church directing a stream into the burning building. The roof and the floors had fallen to the basement, and the east wall was discovered to be gradually moving outward. It was clear that the three firemen were in great danger. Some one called their attention to it, and it was timely, for about this time the wall lost its equilibrium and came down with a crash. The firemen saw it coming and ran north along the church. Only part of the wall fell, else they would have been crushed beneath the seething brick. As it was they escaped by a hare foot or two. Those who witnessed this incident from the south side of William street supposed the men were caught, as the steam and dust hid them from view, but a call brought back the answer of safety from those who had escaped this peril.

Up to this time it was generally thought that the solid wall between the bakery rooms and the other part of the block would cut off further progress of the fire; but this hope was dispelled by the appearance of flames and smoke issuing from beneath the roof of the other part of the block, and the work of removing property was begun vigorously and was continued until the fire became too hot to enter the rooms. When it became settled in the minds of the crowd that the entire block must be consumed many were the expressions of sorrow heard on every hand for the loss of the Public Library. In hearing these expressions of regret one could not help but feel proud of the people of Decatur in the evidence they gave of their appreciation of the magnificent library that for years has lighted up the spare hours in the homes of the people.

Soon after the east wall of the cracker factory fell the West gables of the First M. E. church took fire and the lead window of the pastor's study melted away and a curtain overhanging the window was seen to take fire. The water was turned on and in about fifteen minutes the fire was put out. Rev. James Miller's library which is in the study was damaged some with water and also the elegant pipe organ in the organ loft. Further than this the damage was slight to the church property. All danger to adjacent property had passed at 2 o'clock; the walls had fallen in one by one with tremendous crashes and the Library Block lay a blackened ruin.

WILL REBUILD.

This afternoon Roberts & Greene stated that the Library Block would be rebuilt at once, if the tenants, especially the Public Library, will come back.

THE AGGREGATE LOSS.

The total loss on the building and stocks of goods, estimated, figures up $98,725; estimated insurance, $56,500.

LOSSES IN DETAIL.

The Library Block which was built in 1888 and in 1889 after plans drawn by R. O. Rosen, occupied the entire corner extending from North Main street east along William street to the alley, and north from William street to the Howenstine lot. It was one of the handsomest business structures in Decatur, and was the pride of our people. Roberts & Greene built it at a total cost of about $45,000. It is practically a total loss; insurance $17,500, with companies represented by C. W. Montgomery, who also had the insurance on the Steam Bakery. The walls standing are shown in the accompanying picture of the ruins. It the purpose of Robert & Greene to rebuild the block at once.

The loss of the Decatur Steam Bakery Company, in whose place of business the fire started, is about $18,000 in machinery and stock on hand; insurance $12,000. But in the way of loss on business the estimate can not be made. The interruption to the business is complete. Not a thing was saved. Everything is gone, except the boilers and other heavy articles. The stockholders will meet and decide on future operations. Possibly the industry will be resumed.

The handsome room at the corner was occupied by W. F. Neisler as a drug store. He carried a fine stock of goods, using the first floor and basement. His stock was valued at $5,500, on which there was an insurance of $3,000. He saved a large portion of the sundries on the first floor, but nothing from the cellar. The goods saved were carried to Cann & Co.'s place, except the soda fountain, which was left broken in the street.

Chamberlain & Co., upholsterers and proprietors of the mattress factory, had the next room east, also the basement They had a stock of goods valued at $3500, on which there was an insurance of $1000. But little was saved.

The next room was occupied by the Western Union Telegraph company, Tom Peniwell as the up-town ticket office of the I. C. and P., D. & E. railway companies, by Davis & Burke, electrical supply goods, and by Mr. Lanktree, Remington Typewriter machines. All of the telegraph instruments, batteries, and tables were destroyed, but Mr. Peniwell saved his tickets, and manager Davis got his books and desk out. The typewriting machines were saved, and also a portion of the electrical goods. The Western Union loss is quite heavy, inasmuch as all connections are broken and no business can be transacted until new instruments are procured, a new office secured and the tangled wires put in shape.

J. B. Bullard, undertaker, had the next room east. Linn Radcliff was asleep in the room. He was awakened before the room was in flames, and the crowd assisted in removing the caskets and coffins. Nearly all of the valuable goods were saved and conveyed to the street and into Mr. Bullard's new room in Syndicate Block, which is now located ready for business. Mr. Bullard lost all of his tools and considerable hardware. His loss will aggregate about $1,000. Insured.

Coroner Jesse Bendure had his office desks and records of the coroner's office with Mr. Bullard. The whole outfit was destroyed, being the records since John Dinneen was coroner. But nearly all of the verdicts are recorded in the recorder's office, and those which are not on record can be found in the columns of the Decatur papers.

Smith, Hubbard & Co., manufacturing pharmacists, had their establishment in the room adjoining the steam bakery, and carried a stock of goods valued at $16,000; insurance, $12,000. But little was saved. A few desks were removed together with papers and a Gordon printing press. Mr. Smith states that their loss is about $5,000. They will try to resume business as soon as possible.

Sorgen & Stewart, tinners and roofers, had their store on the North Main street front of the block, they carried $3000 worth of machinery and goods, and saved about $300 worth of stock. The loss is over $2500; insurance $2000.

Peter Haley and family occupied the old Howenstine property North of the block. Everything was taken out of the house which at once vacated by the Haley family.

The Public Library occupied the second floor at the corner, over the drug store and mattress factory. The library contained an exceptionally fine collection of books, embracing about 11,000 volumes, valued at from $13,000 to $15,000. The early arrivals seeing the danger of the destruction of Decatur's free college, in which so many people are personally interested, at once began the difficult work of saving the books, and they succeeded in rescuing the records, all of the reference books, which are the more expensive volumes, and also many other books. Perhaps 5,000 volumes out of the 11,000 were saved. The books were stored in neighboring buildings, Mrs. Alice Evans, the librarian, as well as members of the directory, were at the fire, and aided in the work of caring for the books. The insurance on the library was $6,400. The directors are yet at a loss to tell when or where the library will be located. Of course there can be no exchange of books until a fresh supply is purchased. Catalogues of books on the shelves were saved. It will be no trouble to reproduce the books.

The elegantly appointed lodge room of Chevalier Bayard Lodge, Knights of Pythias, was over the Library. The furnishings were valued at $2,000. Everything except the goat and the carpets was saved, by the brethren of the two Decatur lodges rushing in and carrying out the property, which is stored away safely in the room of Coeur de Leon Lodge, near by.

W. T. Roberts & Co., grain dealers, had their office over the telegraph office. Everything was destroyed except a few books, which were taken out.

John Nichols, the town clerk, and J. A. Barnes, associated as insurance and real estate agents, lost all of their books, papers and office furniture. The firm's desk, books and records are gone. Loss to Nichols & Barnes, $1,200; insured.

The contents of the the Decatur Business College on the third floor were totally destroyed, entailing a heavy loss to Geo. W. Brown, the proprietor. All of the desks, books and other property were consumed. The loss in property is $3,500, partly insured, but in business the fire to the college is a calamity, as several hundred students will have to give up their studies until Prof. Brown and Principal Irving can make other arrangements.

Dr. J. E. King had his office over Bullard's undertaking room, and on the second floor adjoining the office were the sleeping apartments of the doctor and his wife. Neither knew anything of the fire until parties pounded at the door. Then Dr. King and wife had just enough time to escape with their lives. Not a thing was saved except a surgical chair and a shirt belonging to the doctor. Loss $700; insurance $400.

The W. C. T. U. room, which was also used by the Cumberland Presbyterian society as a place of worship, was destroyed, together with furniture and papers. It was located over Sorgen & Stewart's place of business. The organ was saved; loss $135.

A. Derwood Smith, agent for the Equitable Loan Association, lost his office supplies.

NOTES.

Agent Lanktree lost two new Remington typewriting machines by the fire.

The Public Library will probably be located in the old Presbyterian church on Prairie avenue.

All of the books in the Public library could have been saved, but by the advice of several gentlemen, who did not at first realize the full danger, the work of removing the books was stopped for awhile.

The Knights of Pythias may consider themselves extremely fortunate. The paraphernalia and records were carried out and deposited in the Coeur de Leon K. P. lodge rooms across on the opposite corner. One knight had the forethought to go up and kick in the door before the flames reached beyond the firewall, and as a result they had more time to carry out the material.

A printing press of the Gordon pattern was carried out of the Smith, Hubbard & Co. rooms and set in the middle of the street. A form was locked in the press ready for work this morning. All of the electrotypes to the value of $2,000 were destroyed, as were also the wood cuts of the same.

The mattresses and bedding piled up on North Main street caught fire several times by flying sparks and several men were kept busy stamping and smouldering the flames.

From Tuesday's Daily.

Roberts & Greene are getting ready to rebuild the block. They will not have to dig the cellar, the foundations are secure, all of the west wall and part of the south wall still stand, and division walls are in place. The building could be finished by late in the summer or early in the fall. It is not likely that the Steam Bakery will be in the rebuilt block.

LIBRARY BLOCK.

Loss of Roberts & Greene on building, $45,000, almost total; insurance, $17,500, placed as follows:

Orient, Hartford	$2000
Firemen's Fund, California	2000
Union, Pennsylvania	2000
British Assurance	2000
Allemania, Pittsburg	2000
Liberty, New York	2000
Burlington, Burlington, Iowa	1500
Security, New Haven, Conn	1500
Rockford, Rockford, Ill	1500
Manchester, New Hampshire	1000

Loss on Steam Bakery, $18,000, total; insurance, $11,000, placed as follows:

Burlington	$2000
Western Toronto	2500
Citizens	1000
Oakland Home	2000
California	1500
Unknown	2000

Loss of Smith, Hubbard & Co., $16,000, about $1000 saved; insurance, $12,000, placed as follows:

Reading	$3000
Manchester	2000
Connecticut	2000
Niagara	1000
Hartford	1000
Rockford	1000
New Hampshire	1000
Unknown	1000

Loss of J. B. Bullard $1000; insurance $900, with the United States, of New Jersey.

Loss of Western Union $1500; Electrical supply, Company $1500; no insurance.

Loss of T. Peniwell, ticket agent $60; no insurance.

Loss of W. D. Chamberlain & Co., $1000; insurance $1000, with Citizens' of Pittsburg.

Loss of W. F. Neisler, $5,500. with about $1000 in goods saved; insurance $3000, placed with Mechanics and the Security.

Loss of Decatur Cornice works, Sorgen & Stewart, $3000; with $300 in stock saved; insured for $2000 with Western House and the Manchester.

Loss of J. H. Melcher, Installment goods, about $300; no insurance.

Loss of Dr. J. S. King, $700; insurance $400 with the Security.

Loss of Decatur Business College about $3,500; insurance $2000 with the Northwestern.

Loss Chevalier Bayard Lodge Knights of Pythias, $500; insurance $1000 with the Rockford.

Loss of Decatur Public Library $12,000 to $15,000, with over 6000 volumes, including the valuable reference books saved; insurance $5,400 in Home, Springfield and other companies.

Loss of W. T. Roberts & Co., Nichols & Barnes, and A. Derwood Smith, total—Nichols & Barnes were insured. The W. C. T. U loss is about $150.

On the above showing the total loss on building and stock is $107,010; total insurance $54,200.

NOTES.

Manager Davis is now busy getting the Howenstine dwelling on North Main street in shape for use as a temporary office for the Western Union telegraph office. The kitchen will be used for battery room, the bedroom on the north for the operating instruments and the large front room for office space. Two instruments were put in to-day, connecting direct with Chicago and St. Louis.

There has as yet been no estimate made of the probable loss by fire and water on the First M. E. Church, but the loss will not be very heavy. The church building, furniture and pipe organ are insured as follows:

Liverpool & London & Globe	$5,000
American, New York	5,000
California, San Francisco	2,500
Ohio Farmers	2,500
Amazon	2,500
Niagara, New York	2,500
Total	$20,000

From Wednesday's Daily.

It is settled that the Library block will be rebuilt. The Steam Bakery safe was broken open yesterday, as the combination would not work. All of the books and papers were in good shape, but were slightly water soaked. The Smith, Hubbard & Co. safe was filled with water. The books are O. K. The Western Union safe will be removed as soon as possible. It is still in the cellar. Smith, Hubbard & Co. have secured a lease on the Loeb Knitting Factory building for a term of seven years. They have taken possession and have begun to issue orders for goods. The Steam Bakery company will resume business as soon as possible. They want larger quarters. Only a few weeks ago Mr. A. W. Conklin was talking about having a special building erected. The Decatur Business College is still out of suitable rooms. They may be had over the Linn & Scruggs establishment, where the library was once located. The public library books saved from the fire have been removed to the basement of the old Presbyterian church. Due notice of the reopening of the library will be given. Several insurance adjusters have arrived. Until they have inspected the building no steps can be taken to clean up. Roberts & Greene are getting ready to push things at once.

PERSONAL MENTION.

Charles Peniwell and son, of Wellington, Kansas, are guests of Thomas Peniwell and family.

Born, to Mr. and Mrs. George Rupert, on Sunday, February 21st, at 716 South Broadway, a son.

Born, to Mr. and Mrs. Charles Dressen of No. 202 East Eldorado street, on Tuesday, February 23—a son.

R. Seigler, of Maroa, accompanied by his son Clarence, of this city, departed last night for Cleveland, Ohio, on a visit to relatives.

Born to Mr. and Mrs. George E. Moeller, at the family residence on North Main street, Feb 22, a daughter. George should name the little queen Martha Washington.

Charles Rucker and wife have gone to Lancaster, Pa., where they will attend the wedding of Miss Kate Ullrich, a young lady who has visited in this county.

John G. Stauffer and family will occupy Dr. Catto's old residence property on West Prairie street. Mr. Stauffer recently purchased the property from L. L. Haworth.

Maroa *Times*: James Powell, of Decatur, has leased the fruit farm of Mrs. Nellie Brown for the coming season. Mr. Powell comes to Maroa well recommended and will no doubt conduct the business satisfactorily.

Miss Alice Careins has resigned her position as stenographer in the offices of the J. G. Starr Harness Co., and will leave next week for Minneapolis, Minn., to reside, in the hope that the change of climate may be beneficial to her health.

Mrs. A. Semple and her daughter, Miss Lulu Semple, who have been in the west a year, have returned to the city and have taken possession of their home of 333 South Water street. Miss Semple's health is greatly improved. Most of the year was spent in the mountains of Colorado and at Denver.

Republican Committee Meeting.

Members of the committee are respectfully notified that there will be a meeting of the Republican County Central Committee at the office of J. M. Clokey in Court House Block at 11 o'clock, Saturday, February 27, for the purpose of fixing the time for holding the county convention, and to transact other important business. It is desirable that all members be present.

M. F. KANAN, Chairman.
JOHN A. BARNES, Secretary. 23 d&wtf

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A STEP BACKWARD

The Special Mail Service of the U. S. to be Discontinued.

It is reported that notices have been issued by J. Lowrey Bell, second assistant postmaster general, to all transportation lines now in receipt of "special facility pay will be withdrawn" and adding that the appropriation for this purpose has not been recommended to congress in the annual report of the department. This means that five months hence the country will take a decided step backward in its mail facilities, and will have to be content with such mail accommodation as were enjoyed ten years ago It means, too, that the post-office department will entirely ignore agreements already made with a number of transportation companies. Boston, New York and the states of all the Atlantic seaboard are the places that will suffer most from this fall of postal accommodations.

"Special facility pay for extraordinary service" means extra compensation paid to certain railroad companies for unusually fast trains run at inconvenient hours for the transportation of mails, and at a rate of speed that the ordinary traffic of the roads would not warrant.

This is the kind of trains as the "fast mail" on the Illinois Central road, which the Illinois Central claims is run entirely under the auspices of the federal government. If this service is to be abolished in five months this "bone of contention" will probably be removed, but the principle will remain, and the freight business

The Ballot Law Applies

From Saturday's Daily,

At the meeting of the Republican state central committee in Chicago yesterday the matter of the application of the new ballot law to township elections was taken up

The opinion of Attorney-General Hunt that it does not apply had caused so much uncertainty and given rise to so much discussion that the state central committee decided that it would be wise for it to come to a conclusion on the matter and issue a recommendation in harmony with its conclusions. This it did yesterday, deciding that the new law applies to township elections, and it recommends that the township elections this spring be held under the law.

Attorney General Hunt was before the committee and read a decision of the supreme court in support of his theory that the new law did not repeal the township organization law, but after having done so he said that in any event the ballots would have to be printed in conformity with the new law and other preliminary arrangements carried out under the law.

This move on the part of the central committee will no doubt, if followed up, which it evidently will be, with a like opinion from the Democratic state central committee, settle this vexed question and elections over the state will be held in the spring under the new law. It is now high time for town officers to familiarize themselves with the requirements of the law, so that there will be no friction on the day of election and after the election has been held.

The Blaine Divorce

DEADWOOD, S. D, Feb. 18—The divorce case of Mrs. James G Blaine, Jr, comes up for trial here to-morrow Bringing of suit at Deadwood after her residence had been perfected at Sioux Falls has caused a great deal of inquiry. The true reason has never been published. It was the intention to bring the case before Judge Aikens of Sioux Falls, but it is claimed that for some reason he was averse to hearing the case, and the belief became firmly lodged by those acquainted with the suit that the Judge would refuse to grant her a decree. So the suit was brought before Judge Thomas at Deadwood. Three demands were made in the application—a decree of divorce, custody of the child, James G. Blaine III, and permanent alimony. Judge Palmer applied first for $800 temporary alimony and attorney's fees. Young Blaine resisted and his answer maintained that Mrs. Blaine was an incompetent person to have the custody of the child being nervous, which would affect the health of her son. A demand was made for $1,000 temporary alimony which the court ordered paid by Feb. 10, When that day arrived Blaine had withdrawn from the field, leaving the matter open for the issuance of the decree.

Young Mrs Blaine is stopping at the Keystone Hotel, and is suffering from nervous prostration. Judge Palmer stated to a reporter that his client has been under a terrible strain for the last few months, and that, though she has borne up bravely, her nervous system has been so severely taxed that she has now almost completely broken down. Mrs. Blaine had to rise from a sick bed at Sioux Falls to come to Deadwood for the trial, and on the way in suffered from a hemorrhage of the lungs. Physicians, while not pronouncing her condition dangerous, command absolute quiet and rest. It is probable that immediately after the hearing she will go into retirement. The condition of Mrs Blaine may necessitate another postponement of the hearing.

Divorces Common in Wyoming.

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THE END IS NOT YET.

Senator Palmer Goes Back on J. L. Pickering—Bounced.

Springfield Journal

John L. Pickering, late private secretary to Gen. Palmer, has returned to this city, having been deposed by Illinois Democracy's idol to make room for a daughter of the latter, who will probably draw the $6.00 per day, while some underpaid, overworked person will try to do the work leaving many of the Senator's letters unanswered and other clerical duties unperformed. Doubtless no man has done as much as Pickering to make Gen Palmer the man he is in the eyes of the people. During the campaign of '88 Pickering followed Palmer about as faithfully as the traditional lamb stuck to its little mistress, "Mary." Indeed, everywhere that Palmer went, there Pick was sure to go. The General's stock of campaign speeches were written in every varying style for the leading Democratic papers of Chicago and St. Louis, the Democratic candidate for governor was held up as "the Gladstone of America," he was lauded as the peer of Lincoln and Douglas and the superior of any living statesman, and when Senator Palmer wanted to make a grandiloquent speech in nominating Palmer for the United States Senate, all he had to do was to get some of Pickering's letters and commit a few of the catchy paragraphs, and this example was followed by every member of the "immortal 101" until Pickering began to think he was really somebody, while Gen. Palmer's opinion of his own merits increased so insufferably that he at once began to cast about to see what he would do when he should land in the white house in 1893, and when he was finally elected he at once provised his faithful blower and striker the private secretaryship, but even before the summer was over the General maintained his established reputation for fickle mindedness by withdrawing the promise and then making it again, but when the U. S. Senate assembled Pickering was taken along and duly installed as private secretary in December. But now comes the saddest part of the tale: The man who had changed his mind so often availed himself of the usual privilege accorded women, and now Pickering is out of a job, and it is understood the daughter of Palmer will be appointed in the place of Palmer's faithful follower. A prominent Democrat of this city, and one who has held high office remarked this evening that after all he was not surprised, for it was just like Palmer In fact he had many times seen the General drunk on the streets of the city, yet to win votes he believed he would join the prohibitionists The end is not yet

THE meetings recently held in New York City and Brooklyn to protest against Hill's midwinter convention do not seem to have placated the Hill people in that state, nor have they caused Hill's followers to call to a halt. On the contrary, these meetings appear only to have aggravated the situation, as the resolutions passed by the Ulster county convention Wednesday show Following are the resolutions as adopted

WHEREAS Certain alleged Democrats in the city of New York and elsewhere are attempting to promote discord in the ranks of the Democracy and discredit the action of the state committee in calling the state convention for the 22d day of February next, the Democrats in the First Assembly District of Ulster county

Resolved, That the action of the state committee be and the same is hereby heartily approved and indorsed and, be it further

Resolved That the delegates to be chosen to represent the First Assembly District be and are hereby instructed to vote for such delegates to the National convention as favor the nomination of Senator D B Hill for President of the United States

Referring to Cleveland's followers as alleged Democrats attempting to promote discord in the ranks of the Democracy does not sound as sweet as love.

SPRING CLOAKS.

The Watteau Plait — Traveling Cloaks with Girdles

The Watteau plait has been promoted from being the distinguishing feature of the negligee to doing duty on cloaks and mantles. Most of the spring long coats are ornamented with it at the back, and even short coats of rich material have full widths gathered to a yoke at the back In fitted coats the lengths run from thirty to thirty-eight inches. The material is rough cloth fitted to the waist line with rather full skirts, and the coat fastens over at one side with loops and small oblong buttons

Very pretty traveling cloaks come now in gray blue cloth with a yoke finish of passementerie in black brightened with a little gold and a girdle of the same, the ends of which overlap in front.

Accepted the Offer.

In response to a call several of the prominent Methodists of Jacksonville met at the Central Bank on Wednesday night to consider the proposition of Rev. Hiram Buck, of Decatur, Ill, who proposes to give to the Illinois Female College, located at Jacksonville, 160 acres of land, worth $100 per acre, provided the friends of the college raise by June 1, 1893, the sum of $40,000 additional for an endowment fund for the college After a full discussion it was decided that friends of the institution will accept the offer and raise the $40,000.

Remarkable Rescue.

Mrs. Michael Curtain, Plainfield, Ill., makes the statement that she caught cold, which settled on her lungs; she was treated for a month by her family physician, but grew worse. He told her she was a *hopeless victim of consumption* that no medicine could cure her. Her druggist suggested Dr King's New Discovery for Consumption, she bought a bottle and to her delight found herself benefited from first dose. She continued its use and after taking ten bottles, found herself sound and well, now she does her own housework and is as well as she ever was.—Free trial bottles of this Great Discovery at King & Wood's Drug Store, large bottles 50c, and $1.00.

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If you want Bargains during this month call and see our New Styles of Furniture and Stoves, and last but not least, the BABY CARRIAGES.

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East Main Street, Sign of the Big Elephant.

IT HURTS.+

SOME of our would-be competitors make a terrible howl about our selling boots and shoes so cheap this month. "Why," said a shoe dealer yesterday, "what makes you give your goods away. You are selling for less money than our goods cost us, consequently we have got to sell at a loss or sit still and let you do all the business." While we don't want to hurt any one, we do want to sell goods, and other dealers will have to take their medicine, for we have started in

To Give the People A Benefit,

and from the way they have been buying lately makes us believe that they know where to get bargains. Remember, we back up what we say, and when we advertise to sell shoes at jobbers' cost prices, we invariably do it. But how can we do it you ask. Why, we need the room for our mammoth spring stock which will arrive about the first of March, and have concluded to turn our heavy goods into money. Now is your time, good people, if you need anything in footwear Remember, this sale will last during February only. A little money will go a long ways.

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A Pusher for Thursday and Friday.

25 Doz. MEN'S HEAVY MERINO UNDERWEAR, 35c each—regular 50c and 60c qualities.

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LOCAL NEWS.

LENT is near at hand.

THE Champaign grand jury will be in session in March.

ONE of the things that is not faithful to the ends is a cheap cigar.

THE Kuns brick making industry at Cerro Gordo will soon be resumed.

JUST purchased—a handsome lot of chenille portieres at reduced prices.

LINN & SCRUGGS D. G. & C. Co.

THE dedication of the Odd Fellows Orphans Home at Lincoln will occur on May 19th.

JOHN LACOST, of Canton, Ill., has been granted original pension through the agency of M. Shea.

REV. JAMES MILLER will deliver the address at the graduation of the Decatur High School, class of 1892.

THE most reliable make of Ladies' Muslin Underwear and Corset Covers at lowest prices, can be found at Linn & Scrugge D. G. & C. Co. d&w

CHARLES P. HOUSUM, when last heard from was at Fort Worth, at the extreme southern end of Florida. He wrote that he had gained five pounds in weight and was feeling firetrate.

IN the office of Recorder McClellan there was filed for record two warranty deeds for title in 1120 acres of land in Macon county, belonging to the estate of the late Judge David Davis of Bloomington. One deed is for 960 acres in sections 7 and 12 in Maroa and Austin townships from Sarah D. Swayne to George P. Davis, the consideration being $48,565; and the other is for 160 acres in section 12 in Harristown township from Mr. Davis to Mrs. Swayne, consideration $8,800.

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DR. SILAS TROWBRIDGE, of Sullivan, and Mrs. Sarah J. Freeland, of Bethany, were united in the holy bonds of matrimony last Tuesday evening, Elder Summers officiating. The wedding occurred at the residence of the bride's parents, Mr. and Mrs. John Buehart, and was witnessed by only a few relatives and friends of the couple. A nice supper was served after the ceremony. Dr. and Mrs. Trowbridge left for Sullivan on the the 11 o'clock train, where they will reside. The best wishes of their many friends will accompany them through life.

GOLD CURE CLUB MEETING.

Officers Elected—Rev. H. W. Davis to Lecture.

From Friday's Daily.

The called meeting of the Decatur Bichloride of Gold Club was held last night at the office of George Z. Scott, when that gentleman and other delegates to Dwight, Robert Kincaid and W. G. Barnes, made a report on the National Convention, which was heard with interest. Club officers were elected as follows: President, George Z. Scott; treasurer, Robert F. Kincaid; secretary, Amos Howenstine. The club will arrange for a lecture to be given in Decatur at an early date. Rev. H. W. Davis of Charleston, who is a suspended Methodist minister, will be invited to deliver the lecture. He was formerly a lawyer and entered the ministry. His desire for liquor and the use of it was his greatest fault, and finally resulted in his suspension; but the suspension did not come until he had been cured of the drink habit at Dwight. While the church discipline has forced him to retire, his Charleston congregation remain true to him, and all of his friends give him support and encouragement. Rev. Davis is one of the National lecturers for the Keeley cure, and is one of the most brilliant and effective platform orators in the field. He would not fail to be given a large hearing in Decatur.

NELLY DURFEE MARRIED.

Geo. H. Jenkins the Husband of a Former Social Favorite.

Decatur friends of the bride have received cards announcing the marriage of Miss Nelly Durfee and Mr. George H. Jenkins, which occurred in Chicago on Wednesday, Feb. 17th. The bride is well known in this community as the daughter of Mrs. Harry B. Durfee, and where for many years she was a favorite in social circles. Mr. Jenkins is a gentleman of English descent who has a responsible and lucrative position with Shay Smith & Co., blank book manufacturers of Chicago. The bride is tendered the congratulations of the REPUBLICAN and all of her Decatur friends

Will Start in Two Weeks.

The machinery has been purchased for the Decatur Steel Roofing and Corrugating company at an expense of about $3,000, and it will arrive next week and be placed in position. Two carloads of steel and iron, one at Wheeling, West Va., and one at St. Louis, have been bought, and the material will also arrive at an early date. Mr. Bonbrake and the Thayer Brothers are hustlers and will lose no time in putting the new plant in successful operation. The company will occupy the Flood foundry property, near the Wabash, east of the C, B. & Q. works. They bought the building and three lots having a track frontage of about 113 feet.

KNITTING FACTORY SALE.

Office Furniture, All Manufactured Goods and Machinery at Auction.

From Thursday's Daily.

The Alexander knitting factory company goods are being disposed of at auction to-day for the benefit of creditors, by Deputy Sheriff Midkiff. The manufactured goods in the building embrace 5356 dozen pairs of wool and cotton hose; 346 dozen pairs of mits, and 150 pounds of yarn; also 42 knitting machines, office furniture, etc. The property is valued at about $28,000, but if it brings $6,000 to $8,000 the parties in interest will be satisfied.

There is a good attendance of local merchants and a number of outside parties who are after the machinery. An effort should be made to keep the machinery in Decatur and retain the industry here. There are at least 50 girls in the city who are trained to run the machines, and this fact alone is worth $5,000 to $10,000 to such an institution. The sale may not be concluded until to-morrow.

From Friday's Daily.

The auction sale of the Alexander knitting factory property was completed at noon to-day, everything being sold for the benefit of creditors. The claims aggregate about $13,000. The goods sold at very low figures. There is considerable real estate to be sold, more than enough to pay all claims.

The knitting machines were sold to Isaac R. Mills of Decatur, whose bid was $480. There were 42 machines worth $25 each. Mr. Mills got the machines at about $11.42 each.

The Berkler Will.

The last will of the late Frank Berkler, who died in Friends Creek township, was filed for probate Friday. To the widow he gave $2,000 in cash, it being the face of a policy in the Home Life insurance company, and to the daughters, Anna Fesler, Eva, May Grideo, Emma, Daisy and Lena, $250 each; to the sons, Nicke, Willie, Frank and Henry, each $250, a total of $2500, the face of a policy in the Equitable Life Assurance Co. It is directed that all personal property be sold, save enough stock to run the farm, the proceeds to be equally divided among the heirs. The home farm of 160 acres is bequeathed to the widow; also 80 acres in Ford county, and when the youngest heir becomes of age, or the widow marries again, or in case of death, the lands shall be equally divided among the children. The widow, Mrs. Louisa Berkler, is the administratrix; bond $9400, with Henry Welge and Henry Berkler as sureties.

Wedded in the West.

Married—At the residence of Mr. and Mrs. A. W Miller, friends of the bride, at Spokane Falls, Feb. 17, 1892, John Powell, of Seattle, Wash., and Miss Elizabeth Gastman, of Decatur.

News of the marriage was received in Decatur yesterday, when Supt. and Mrs. E. A. Gastman, parents of the bride, received a telegram announcing the event. Mr. Powell is a prosperous young lawyer at Seattle where the couple will reside. His father is Rev. Curtis Powell of the Illinois Conference. He was formerly teacher of languages in the Decatur High School. The bride was until recently teacher in the Rockford and Chicago schools, and is a young lady of culture and refinement whose many Decatur friends will join the REPUBLICAN in extending congratulations.

Candidate for Justice.

In another column appears the formal announcement of Mr. Marion May, who is the first to come out for the nomination for the office of justice of the peace. He presents his name subject to the action of the Republican township convention. At present Mr. May is on duty as a special policeman at the Union depot, but owing to his crippled condition in time he will be forced to retire. The office of justice is one that will just suit Mr. May, and he would perform the duties with general acceptability according to the statutes, with which he is familiar. Mr. May will go into the convention with a strong following, and if nominated, he will not fail of triumphant election.

Death in the East.

Mrs. Capt. W. F. Colladay has received news of the death of George K. Cutler husband of her sister Alice, which occurred last week at the family home near Binghampton, N. Y. He died of paralysis. Mr. Cutler only a few years ago was a man of fine build and powerful strength, but paralysis cut him down and death gave him relief from suffering. His widow, who was formerly Alice Shoaff, daughter of Mrs. James Shoaff, of Paris, Ill., and sister of Thomas, L. A. G., Fred. and Douglas Shoaff, and Mrs. Colladay, is left in good circumstances There are no children.

County Benefits.

Overseer Holman states that about 700 Decatur township people receive benefits from the county funds The overseer has no pleasant job. It is hard for him to distinguish deserving persons. He exercises special caution and issue orders where charity is deserved.

Death of Mr. Joseph Ziegler.

From Saturday's Daily.

Mr. Joseph Ziegler, well known at the Central depot at Clinton as the keeper of a lunch room, died yesterday of la grippe and its complications. Mr. Ziegler had lived in Clinton a number of years.

Ladies' Wraps.

The first invoice of new spring jackets and capes for ladies and children have been received at

LINN & SCRUGGS D. G. & C. Co.

ARRESTED FOR FORGERY

FRANK SMALLWOOD IN THE TOILS OF THE LAW.

Taken Through Decatur to Jacksonville to Answer the Felonious Charge.

This afternoon the city marshal of Jacksonville, Ill., passed through Decatur en route to Jacksonville, having Frank Smallwood, son of J. P. Smallwood of this city, in custody on a charge of forgery. He was arrested at Hume, in Douglas county, this morning, and will have to stand trial on the felonious charge.

Five or six months ago Frank Smallwood was at Jacksonville, where he had a job of work carrying a hod. He got a check for $4.50 as payment for his work. He is charged with having raised the check to $24.50, presenting it at the bank and getting the money. Of course he did not remain at Jacksonville long, and since the forgery was discovered the authorities have been trying to locate the young man. Inquiries were sent to Marshal Mason and other officers, and in this manner young Smallwood was located. The state warrant was issued on August 18, 1891, the day the crime was committed, by Justice Davenport, at the instance of William Batz. The check was presented at the bank of M. P. Ayres & Co., and Charles Richardson identified Smallwood, stating that he was his son. The firm name to the raised check was Montt & Libby. Richardson is now under arrest.

Smallwood when seen at the depot this afternoon was handcuffed to the officer. Attorney Leforgee was seen in brief conversation with the prisoner. It is understood that Mr. Leforgee will leave for Jacksonville to-night to look after the interests of young Smallwood. He may be admitted to bail, if anybody can be found who will go on his bond.

Frank Smallwood is the young man who about a year ago, with the assistance of a chum conceived the diabolical scheme to murder his father, Joseph P. Smallwood who is now in the south looking after horses. Frank, it will be remembered, had hired a man in Chicago to kill his father, but the party by the merest chance happened to be a detective, who promptly exposed the plot, but not before getting enough evidence of a documentary character to convince the father that the son really intended to carry out the scheme. Then it was that Frank was cornered in Decatur by his father and Attorney C. C. Leforgee, and the boy confessed that all charges made were true. The plan was to inject chloroform into Mr. Smallwood's sleeping apartment with the purpose of producing death, the object being to put the estate, valued at about $75,000 in possession of Frank, who is an only child. The exposure came and Frank fled. He was gone for months before he was heard of in any quarter. The grand jury brought in indictments against Frank and his associate, and the cases remained on the dockets until the September term when both cases were dismissed with leave to reinstate. A few months ago Frank was heard of as being at work on one of the farms near Hume, Douglas county, owned by Mr. Smallwood; later it became known that the young man married Miss Lora Sanderson at Tuscola, Ill. Miss Sanderson was the young lady to whom Frank was attentive in Decatur before he was compelled to leave the city. The couple have been living on the Smallwood farm near Hume.

Candidate for Attorney General.

Mr. D. L. Vigus, of this city, has received a note from his old friend, Captain J. M. Truitt, the well-known lawyer of Hillsboro, Ill., who is in the field for the Republican nomination for Attorney General. Captain Truitt was a member of Company B, 117th Illinois Regiment and he has been an active and efficient worker in the party ranks since the close of the war. He was a member of the Twenty-eighth General Assembly and was a presidential elector in 1876, a delegate to the National conventions of 1880 and 1884, and presidential elector at large in 1888. Mr. Truitt has many many friends throughout the state, and will be a formidable candidate in the state convention.

A Problem.

EDS. REPUBLICAN: The general tax levy for the city of Decatur is about the same as five years ago. During the last five years there has been an addition of more than one-third to the real estate and personal property of the city. The question for solution is, if the amount of taxes has not been increased and there is more than one-third more property to pay the tax, why is the tax not one-third less than on the same property five years ago? The reduction of twenty five per cent on the assessment, made by the state board, cuts no figure; for it is a property of figures that two or two thousand numbers multiplied or divided by the same figure do not change the relative value. A TAX PAYER.

Taken to Kankakee.

From Thursday's Daily.

Last night Sheriff Perl left for Kankakee, having Millard F. Harritt in charge to be placed in the insane asylum. Only the day before the sheriff was at St. Louis enjoying the trills of Patti, the great vocalist. Then he came home to start for the lunatic asylum.

THE TEACHERS' CONVENTION.

Attractions Being Arranged For the Central Illinois Meeting.

M. Moore of Beardstown, president of the Central Illinois Teachers' association, which meets in Decatur in March, was in the city yesterday arranging for the gathering. There will be 500 teachers from the best town in central Illinois Mr. Moore came to see about the hotel accommodations and to consult with T. L. Evans, chairman of the local committee on arrangements.

The Decatur schools will make two interesting exhibits before the association. One will be work done in drawing. Miss Warren, the drawing teacher, and Superintendent Gastman have already had a consultation as to the best method of showing what the schools can do, but have not fully decided yet. It is likely that selections will be made from the drawing work of each room in the city schools. A good showing can be made. In our schools each room gives 20 minutes a day to drawing. That included all kinds of work with the pencil and some modeling in clay. Miss Warren visits each room once a week and sees how the children are getting along.

Miss Knieper, the music teacher, will give an illustration of the method of teaching music. One grade will go before the association, and Miss Knieper will give them a lesson. She will also have two choruses of about 50 voices each before the teachers to let them see how the young folks can sing.

PASSED AWAY.

Death of Miss Carolyn M. Whitehurst, Aged 22 Years.

From Saturday's Daily

During the past few days the REPUBLICAN has contained notices of the serious illness of Miss Carolyn M. Whitehurst at her home, 868 North Edward street. Her affliction was rheumatism, followed by gangrene in one of her limbs. Last night at 8 o'clock Miss Whitehurst passed away in death, the immediate cause of the dissolution being heart disease. The deceased had been an invalid all her life; at no time was she in perfect health, but she bore her affliction with christian fortitude and was fully prepared to go. She was a member of the Christian Endeavor Society and of the First M. E. Church, and was an active worker in the church. Miss Whitehurst was aged 22 years. She was a native of Springfield, Ill., and came to Decatur with her mother in 1882. Her mother is Mrs. Maria C. Whitehurst; her brothers are Helm Whitehurst, of Chicago, and Rex Whitehurst, of Decatur; the sisters are Mrs. Gatton and Mrs. G. H. Helmley, of Springfield, and Misses Lizzie and Susie Whitehurst.

The funeral will be held probably Monday afternoon. It was at the request of the deceased that the burial be at Greenwood, and therefore the body will not be taken to Springfield, the former home of the family.

Whisky Barred Out.

From Friday's Daily.

In the recorder's office yesterday there was filed for record a deed by which L. B. Casner conveyed to Newton Snyder several lots in the village of Casner. A condition of the transfer was as follows: "This conveyance is made on the condition that no intoxicating liquor shall ever be sold, given away or otherwise trafficked in or on said premises, except for medicinal purposes, and in case of a breach of this condition the title to said premises shall immediately revert to the grantor, L. B. Casner, and his heirs. This is, and forever shall be, a perpetual covenant and shall run with the title of said premises."

Stricken Blind.

Captain Henry B. Reed of Pontiac, custodian of the memorial hall at the state house at Springfield, is afflicted with total blindness. His sight left him yesterday, although it has been failing for some time. It was his intention to start for Chicago to consult an experienced oculist, but instead he will be taken to Pontiac on the Illinois Central train. Capt. Reed is a veteran of the late war, with an excellent record, and has suffered greatly from rheumatism for a long time. He has been custodian for six years.

Appointed Postmaster.

James H. Grove, formerly salesman at Linn & Scrugg's store, brother of Elmer Grove, is now located with his family at Inwood, San Patricio county, Texas. Recently Mr. Grove, who was probably the only man at Inwood who could read and write, was appointed postmaster, and he is now on duty. The salary of the office is about $3 a year.

MARRIED.

At the home of the bride's sister, Mrs. E. E. Lilly, 1015 North Morgan street, Wednesday evening, February 17, Charles J. Peterson of Lewistown, Ill., and Miss Ida M. Clabough.

Rev. C. E. Torrey of the Baptist church, was the officiating clergyman. A fine wedding repast was served and many gifts were bestowed by friends. The happy groom is a telegraph operator at Lewistown, where the couple will reside.

At the Baptist parsonage, in St. John's Place, by Rev. C. E. Torrey, Thursday evening, Feb. 18, Leon H. Sullivan and Miss Katie Montgomery, both of Decatur.

The reception was held at the home of the bride, 823 North Morgan street, where the wedding repast was served. Mr. Sullivan is an experienced electrician and has charge of the city electric light plant.

DIED.

At the family residence, 343 East Jefferson street, at 5:30 p. m., February 18, Mrs. Susie Abbott, wife of Noah Abbott, aged 35 years.

The funeral will be held Saturday afternoon.

NEWSPAPER ARCHIVE®

WEEKLY REPUBLICAN.

Entered at the Postoffice at Decatur, Illinois as second class mail matter.

THE election of United States senators by a vote of the people may be admissible, but the election of a president by popular vote, unless some federal plan for securing fair elections is first adopted, would lead ultimately to anarchy and revolution.

CHICAGO *Evening Journal:* The New Jersey Democrats want McPherson for president. Well, what is the matter with the Mc's—McPherson and McKinley? They are as good as the H's—Hill and Harrison, or the B's—Boies and Blunderbuss.

THE Cleveland meetings in New York recently held, to protest against Hill's methods, which have resulted in securing out of the total number of delegates to the state convention but 10 delegates are, in the matter of results, a good deal like the bumpkin who sheared the pig—more noise than wool.

THE St. Louis *Post Dispatch* says the Democratic majority in Congress is too large. This means that the majority is dangerously large. Upon this course of reasoning the Democratic party is dangerous in proportion to its majority, hence the people are best served when there is no Democratic majority.

THE Hill people in New York say the Cleveland contestants will get over their nervousness in a few days and will accept the inevitable. That may be true as to New York, but those Democrats who have declared in the Decatur *Review* their hostility to Hill will never yield, no never.

THE Health Department of Chicago closed at noon on Washington's birthday and consequently burial permits could not be secured in the afternoon of that day. When inquired of concerning the affair the officers said the department people were as much entitled to the pleasures of a legal holiday as other people. This means that it will not be long until those who desire to be buried on a legal holiday will have to die in time.

IN Utica, N. Y., the Republican candidate for mayor is Thomas Wheeler. In accepting the nomination he compressed a volume of wisdom regarding municipal affairs into a few words. He said: "Some lawyers of late have told us there was something wrong with the city charter. The trouble is not in the charter. The real trouble is they dare not enforce it. I dare." As a rule, if city charters and ordinances were enforced, there would be little cause to complain of municipal misgovernment.

REPRESENTATIVE HARTER, the honest money Democrat from Ohio, is very outspoken in his views as to the suicidal course of the Democratic party on the free coinage of silver. He says if the present Democratic house passes a free coinage bill the party will be ingloriously defeated in the fall. He thinks the only way to dispose of the matter without endangering Democratic success, is to lay the whole matter over until after the election. If Mr. Harter is correct in his conclusions it follows that in case the matter is laid over it will only be for the purpose of securing party success by deception and in that case the only thing left for the people to do is to defeat the Democratic party and thus avoid all danger of having a free coinage bill thrust upon them.

Blue Jeans.

In simple, idyllic fiction nothing is more effective than Blue Jeans with its pithy wit, crisp philosophy and rustic humor. The simple naturalness of its many characters, the apparently spontaneity of the rustic wit which sparkled in the speech of June, the broad fun, which, though often dangerously near burlesque, happily escaped it, the intense interest of some of the melodramatic effects, the romantic farce of the plot with its well concealed denouement, the strong cast and admirable arrangement of the necessaries and stage business, blend to make Blue Jeans a thoroughly enjoyable play. Don't miss seeing this great play Tuesday evening March 1st.

End of the Blaine Divorce Case.

Judge Thomas of South Dakota, Saturday, granted a divorce to Mrs. James G. Blaine, jr., to pay her $1,000, and $400 for attorney's fees, and to pay her $100 a month for maintenance. The judge also awarded her the custody of the child.

In his opinion, the Judge said that from the evidence Mrs. James G. Blaine, Sr., had connived at the separation and made things so unpleasant for the young wife while at the home of the Blaines in Augusta, Maine, as to cause her to leave and go to New York. The judge held that it is evident the purpose the elder Mrs. Blaine had in view was to put the younger Mrs. Blaine in the position of having apparently deserted her husband.

Speaking of the conduct of young Blaine the judge said his course was most reprehensible and unmanly, that no matter what the objections of his parents were to the union his duty as a man and a gentleman was to stand by his wife and child.

This probably ends the litigation in the case, which, judged by the evidence, shows the plaintiff to have been a much wronged woman, and also that she is worthy and honorable in every respect.

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The Democratic Convention.

The Democratic state central committee seems to be in a hurry as to the time of holding the Democratic state convention, having fixed April 27 as the date. The Republican convention does not meet until May 4. With the exception of two years ago the Democrats have followed the plan of holding their conventions in this state after the Republicans held theirs. This plan, it seems, has been abandoned, for some reason or other. It is probable that by holding their convention before that of the Republicans they hope to anticipate them in some platform declaration. This may be the school question, or it may be some matter relating to the state treasurer and the public funds, but in either case they will have no advantage.

Those who objected to the compulsory education law have discovered that the objects of the law were misrepresented to them and that it was never a party measure, and was never intended to interfere with private or parochial schools, further than the requirements that the rudimentary branches be taught in the English language, to which no objection has been entered, save by demagogues, when appealing to the prejudices of some of our people. It has also become known that the Democratic majority in the house defeated a bill which had passed the senate, by refusing to call it up, and which provided for all the necessary changes in the law, of which complaint might be justly made. This, the Democrats did, on the assumption that the law would not be acceptable unless the English language requirement was stricken out, in face of the plain statement of a Democratic member, who belonged to a church which supported parochial schools, that the English language requirements were not objectionable to his church or nationality. These facts have completely disarmed the Democrats and have shown to these people that the objects of that party was to get their votes instead of revising the law. The Democratic party cannot again deceive these people by false statements and false pretentions.

As to the matter of covering into the state treasury the interest on the public fund, the Democratic party in this state in 1890 declared in favor of it, and elected a treasurer, Ed Wilson, who has made the people believe he would turn the money in—which he has failed to do; but on the contrary has profited from the funds the general government has returned to the state amounting to a million dollars, and the Democratic House failed to change the law or even to pass a resolution to prevent Mr. Wilson from appropriating this money. The Democracy has been tried on these questions, and has been found wanting on both. It cannot again, by an early convention, make these two questions do duty as Democratic vote-gatherers, no matter when they hold their convention.

A New Candidate.

Ex-Senator Blair, of New Hampshire, has announced himself as a candidate for President, subject to the decision of the National Republican convention in the year 1892. He claims that he does this upon the urgent solicitation of a large number of persons who will be delegates to the convention, and who desire to vote for him. This is certainty very considerate on the part of the ex-Senator, and it may, in the language of the immortal "J. N.," remove the pressure.

Mr. Blair has distinguished himself as the chief advocate of the Blair education bill, which provided for the distribution of a large public fund in support of the free schools of the country, on the basis of illiteracy. The object was to reach the freedmen of the South. In support of his measure he made a very long speech in the Senate, but was very short on votes.

After his time expired in the senate he was nominated, by President Harrison, minister to China, but for some reason that government refused to accept him, which has left him without a job. The latter fact may account for his consent to become a candidate for the presidency, but the fact that it is generally understood that President Harrison is not disinclined to accept a renomination for a second term makes the ex-senator's candidacy, at this time, have the appearance of ingratitude, unless he proposes to hold the president responsible for a failure to cause the Chinese government to remove its embargo on the New Hampshire statesman.

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HORSES AT AUCTION

Combination Sale of the Brenneman & Bro. and Dr. A. S. Waltz Stock.

Big Attendance at the Race Track — The Purchasers.

From Wednesday's Daily

The horse sale by D. W. Brenneman & Bro. and Dr. A. S. Waltz took place today on the grounds of the Trotting Association. The sale was well advertised which, taken in connection with the popularity of these gentlemen as breeders and their reliability in offering only good standard or registered horses, brought a large crowd to the sale. Those who were in attendance were all on business, and they bid readily and fast. Many were were from Champaign, Sangamon, Moultrie and adjoining counties.

The sale was a combination on the part of the Brennemans and Dr. A. S. Waltz, Dr. Waltz putting up his horses for the purpose of the combination much earlier than he expected to offer them. On this account his horses were not in as good flesh as they would have been a month later; but so far as the sale progressed the horses of both parties brought respectable prices. The terms of the sale were one year on approved security, with 6 per cent. discount for cash.

Tobey Ward was the auctioneer, and George Keller kept the books. The sale began at 11 o'clock. It had been arranged that two of the Brenneman horses were to be sold first, then two of the Waltz horses, thus alternating until all should be sold. At 12 o'clock eight horses had been sold and the three hundred people present were served with a satisfying lunch, and at 12:30 the sale was resumed. Up to 1:30 o'clock the following sales had been made:

D. W. BRENNEMAN & BRO.'S HORSES.

Mammont mare, E. B. Barnes, Hindsboro, Ill.—$150.

Belmaim, Stoner Boy roan mare, six years old, B. M. Myers, Hindsboro—$102.

Carmona, bay mare, five years old, Lewis Stookey, Decatur—$182.

Maud Stoner, bay mare, 13 years old, Frank Beall, Decatur—$95.

Maud H., bay mare, six years old, E. Wade, Decatur—$230.

Amelia, brown mare, eight years old, Robert Ginn, Sullivan—$175.

Homeless, bay mare, four years old, Joseph Brown, Warrensburg—$151.

Nellie, bay mare, nine years old, George Waggoner, Emery.—$143.

DR. A. S. WALTZ'S HORSES.

Lady Hamlet, by Mammont, bay mare, eleven years old B. F. Meyrs, Hindsboro—$366.

Bay mare, coming three years old, by Field Wilkes, L. Duboise, Clinton—$225.

Regolet Gould, bay filly, eleven years old, M. H. Perry, Todd's Point—$117.

Miss Reed, gray mare, four years old. Charles Batchelder, Warrensburg—$105.

Roan Filly, by Regalia, George Herron, Lanesville—$100.

Anna W. by Mascotte, sorrel mare, four years old, L. Duboise, Clinton—$91.

Carpenter's Maid, by Mambrino Eclipse, sorrel mare, ten years old, E. B. Barnes, Hindsboro—$85.

Lena, by Major Kelsey, bay mare, eight years old, I. Maxon, Decatur—$175.

The sale was still in progress as the REPUBLICAN went to press. Four Brenneman & Bro. horses and twelve Waltz horses in the catalogue were to be sold.

Death of Squire James Hopson.

From Tuesday's Daily.

James Hopson died at his home in Macon last night. He was about 65 years of age, and had lived in and near Macon for over thirty years. He was a man of more than ordinary ability and was highly respected by all his neighbors. He came to this state from New York and engaged in farming, in which he was successful, having at the time of his death a good farm of 320 acres, besides other valuable property and also considerable money. He quit the active duties of the farm about two years ago, and moved to Macon where he has since resided. About the time he moved to Macon he made a trip to California, Oregon and Colorado. While on this visit he contracted mountain fever from which he never fully recovered, and it is believed by his physicians that an abscess in his side from which he died was the sequel to this ailment. After he came to this state his first wife died and he afterwards married Miss Fish, who was also formerly from the same locality in New York where Mr. Hopson was raised. Mrs. Hopson and five children survive him—three sons and two daughters—Edward, Charles, Otho, Ethie and Lutie. Edward is practicing law in Kansas and Charles is practicing law in Elgin. The others are single and live at home.

James Hopson was a brother of Mrs. Crump who donated 320 acres of land to the Wesleyan University at Bloomington.

Important Bank Decision.

In the Circuit Court at Bloomington yesterday the National Bank of the Republic, of St. Louis, recovered a judgment against Sidney Tuttle, of Bloomington for $3156. Tuttle was a stockholder in the Edwards County Bank at Kinsley, Kas., which failed some months since. The plaintiff in this suit was a creditor of that bank and sued Tuttle under the law of Kansas, which makes shareholders of bank stock liable individually to an amount equal to the stock they hold. Tuttle deposed of the stock about the time of the failure of the bank, but that did not release him. The decision is one that affects many stockholders and large amounts of capital.

THE PYTHIAN BALL.

Members and Friends of the Uniform Rank at Guards' Armory.

From Tuesday's Daily

Probably the most largely attended and certainly one of the best planned and most enjoyable invitation dances ever held within Guards' Armory took place there last night, given by the Decatur Division, No. 36, Uniform Rank, Knights of Pythias. It was the first grand ball for the organization, and it was a pronounced success from start to finish. The Decatur Division in bright uniforms led the grand march in which there were over 150 couples, with about 100 couples as spectators. Preceding Captain Grist and his wife in the march were Col. C. B. Johnson, Springfield, Second Regiment, and Col. Emil Sturm, Decatur, Fourth Regiment, and it was noticed that every Pythian lady wore as an ornament a fragrant calla lily, emblematic of the purity of the Rank. Over three hundred illuminated programs were provided, but they fell about 150 short. There were 24 numbers on the list, and good music was given by the Opera House orchestra, with J. M. Ehrman as the prompter. "Jake" never did better. The visitors included Sir Knights and ladies from Springfield, Clinton, Mt. Pulaski, Pana, Taylorville, Litchfield and included Col. Johnson, Capt. Parrish of Taylorville; Herald Lutz, D. E. Wagner, Pius Huff, Theo. Shaeffer, J. McGrue, Mr. and Mrs. Frank Schenck, John Jump, L. T. Crowell, Ida Schenck and Dr. Weyl, of Maros; Mrs. Capt. G. P. Zeiss, of Mt. Pulaski, and many others. The banquet was served at a dollar a couple at the ball of Cœur de Leon Lodge by the ladies of Myrtle Temple, Pythian Sisters. It was superb and was liberally patronized from 11 to 1 o'clock. The chief credit for the success of this first party belongs to the gentlemen forming the various committees: F. O. Damrow, P. Halmbacher, A. T. Grist, Walter Towling and John DeFratus; F. W. Wismer, C. C. Stoddard, W. P. Shade, F. Pahmeyer, G. A. Ahrens, Adam Seeforth, Aaron Kaufman, A. T. Summers, John Hays, I. W. Scott, Charles McCune, N. Bommersbach, I. J. Chronister and William Blenz. The musical director was Captain Grist.

The Division netted about $125, and the Myrtle Temple ladies have $75 to store away in the bank.

Fine Attractions Next Week.

Two of the finest attractions of the season are announced for the Grand next week.

Tuesday evening, March 1st, the most successful comedy-drama of the day, "Blue Jeans." All lovers of amusements are familiar with the immense success of this great play in all the large cities. The Philadelphia *Star* says:

Public expectation, which has been on tip-toe for some time in regard to the presentation in Philadelphia of the comedy-drama of "Blue Jeans," was fully met at the Chestnut Street Opera House where, to a packed house, the play, which has had such a long and successful run in New York, was presented last night. It has not been often that a play so complete in plot, stage machinery and acting has been carried out so effectively in all its details.

Saturday evening March 5th, an opportunity will be afforded our citizens of witnessing a performance by the most gifted emotional actress of the century. Wherever the English tongue is spoken the name of Clara Morris is a household word. In all that goes to make one great she stands unrivaled and without a peer. By a sheer force of intellect, aided by a wonderful conception of realism, the entire gamut of the emotions responds to her genius like the chords of the harp vibrate beneath the touch of the master. No shade of feeling escapes her. Possessed of a rare intelligence, coupled with careful and discriminating study, she is simply the mistress of every shade of emotion. The first effect or notable characteristic of this wonderful woman, as felt by the auditor, is the breadth and scope of conception. She begins at the beginning and passes from phase to phase with a realistic effect that is astonishing for its truth and amazing in detail; always interesting, the dramatic effects of the situation; her gradual yet susceptible merging and absorption of the actress into the character portrayed; her tremendous vitality, her fearful intensity and her superb power have an effect upon an audience that is irresistible. There is but one thing in a theatrical representation that can cause women to weep and men remain spellbound. It is not by seeing a fabulously rich costume by Worth; it is not stage trickery; it is not even art; it is greater than art, it is genius, and to a degree possessed by no other living actress is Clara Morris endowed. She not only elevates and adorns dramatic art, but she gives to womanhood proof of what a brave and suffering genius can do to establish and advance nobler standard in the world of woman's work. This is the first visit of Miss Morris the great north-west, but let us hope it will not be her last. It will be a treat of large proportions, theatrically speaking and should be partaken of by all.

The play selected for this city is the latest great success "Renee de Moray."

THERE is one kind of plow that is a general favorite at home and abroad. It won the gold medal at Paris. It took first honors in Australia. It is the first choice in the Sandwich Islands, and it is the popular plow in Macon county. The John Deere Plow, sold by the Spencer & Lehman Co. Feb 25-w2m

SLYE'S SENTENCE.

The Self-Convicted Train-Robber Gets Twenty Years.

A LIFE SENTENCE REFUSED BY COURT.

Who Does Not Regard the Penitentiary as a Reform Institution Nor Impose Penalties for Purposes of Revenge.

ST. LOUIS, Feb. 24.—In the circuit court at Clayton yesterday Adelbert Slye, who, on Tuesday of last week, entered a plea of guilty to the charge of robbery in the first degree, was sentenced to twenty years in the penitentiary.

Slye was taken to Clayton in the morning by Deputy Sheriff Garrett and placed in the county jail. At 3 p.m. he was taken into the court-room to have sentence passed upon him. He looked pale and anxious as he took a seat before the gray-haired judge and awaited his sentence.

Mr. S. S. Bass addressed the court and stated that the defendant had pleaded guilty and asked the mercy of the court.

In reply Judge H. D. Laughlin reviewed the circumstances of the robbery of the train and in a very forcible manner referred to the reckless disregard of Slye and his associates to human life. He said that if there was anything to justify such an act he would be pleased to say a word in behalf of the self-convicted man, but there was not. If there was any reason for a hope that Slye would be reformed and be a better man after he came out from the penitentiary then less than a life sentence would be justified, but as there was no reason for such hope he favored a sentence that would place him where he could not again prey upon the rights and property of others.

Adelbert Slye.

While Judge Laughlin was speaking Slye sat with his eyes fixed upon the floor, and for the first time since he was taken into the court he appeared to be agitated.

When Judge Laughlin had finished his remarks, Judge Edwards said:

"I have heard nothing except the plea of this man to the charge against him, which is of a very serious character. If I thought there was any hope for his reformation in the penitentiary I would be inclined to giving him as short a term in that institution as possible, but in my opinion the penitentiary is not a reformatory institution. It is generally known that when men come out from that place they are better prepared to make war upon society than they were when they entered it. I don't think a spirit of revenge should govern us when we are called upon to punish men for violation of law. I do not believe that by inflicting severe punishment upon criminals we deter others from committing crimes."

Here Slye looked up at the venerable judge and a suppressed smile lighted up his depressed countenance. The judge, continuing, said: "After all, the main object of all these proceedings is to protect society from those who make war upon the innocent and defenceless, and appropriate to their own use the rights and property of others. I think I will satisfy the demands of the law and society at large when I assess the punishment of you, Adelbert Slye, at twenty years in the penitentiary; and therefore the sheriff of St. Louis county is ordered to take you, at his earliest opportunity, to Jefferson City and deliver you to the warden of the state prison at that place."

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No quarterly meeting at Sharon on account of the bad weather.

Mrs. W. H. Henson arrived home from Los Vegas, N. M., last week, and she reports Mr. Henson some better.

Thomas Leonard has just recovered from an attack of inflamatory rheumatism. He will return to St. Louis this week and finish his course of telegraphy.

Ben Parke has bought membership in the Decatur Business College and will enter the school next week.

Farmers are getting their plows and harrows ready preparatory to planting oats.

James Cochran, shipped a car of horses to Chicago yesterday.

Wm. Cross, Wm. Leonard and Wm. Holly went to St. Louis last Saturday to attend the workingmen's convention.

Mrs. Adams, wife of James Adams, deceased, is not expected to live.

Mrs. E. Fox and children visited relatives at Bement Saturday and Sunday.

James Constant visited relatives at Pawnee Ill., last week.

Christian Swartz is making preparations to move to Ballinger, Texas.

Mr. Leads of Friends Creek will take possession of his farm, formerly occupied by Jones and Wm. Race, the first of March.

Peter Troutman of Victor, Kansas, received news of the death of his only brother, Joseph Troutman, at Belle Plaine, Kan. He passed away peacefully and quietly. Mr. Troutman was born in Kentucky in 1822, and when a mere boy moved to Indiana while the Indians still had full sway in that state. About 1856 he moved to Missouri. War time was coming on, and then he moved to Illinois, and settled one mile east of Harristown, where he lived a few years and then moved back to the old farm in Indiana. He lived there until about 17 years ago, when he moved to the place of his death, where he lived with his son, M. Troutman. He leaves six sons and four daughters, who reside in three different states; only two could be at the funeral. SUB.

Macon Notes.

The mud is too deep for comfort.

Mr. and Mrs. Al McDaniel's little boy was buried last Saturday. He died of lung fever.

Mr. and Mrs. J. P. Fred's babe is much better.

'Squire Hobson, an old and respected citizen of Macon county, is not expected to live.

John Schudel has moved his stock of goods in a large store room near the Masonic building.

George L. Hight is rejoicing over the arrival of a girl baby at his house.

James L. Hight is erecting a large dwelling in the southeast part of town.

George L. Hight & Co. will occupy the brick building lately vacated by by John Schudel just as soon as the brick masons can repair it.

Revival meetings are in progress at the M. E. church with much interest manifested.

Mr. Camden Chenoweth, postmaster at Rogers, Ark., is visiting relatives in Macon.

Our old tabernacle is getting a new set of window shutters, something badly needed.

We had central examination at the school building last Friday. Supt. Donaher said some of the pupils made the best grade of an examination he has had this year so far.

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Slop Pails, ... 40 and 45c
No. 8 Copper Bottom Wash Boiler, ... 98c
No. 9 do., ... $1.25
Baking Powder, ... 5 and 10c
Ladies' Wool Walking Hats, reduced to 10c
Ladies' Merino Vests, ... 38c
Ladies' Medicated Red All Wool Vests now 75c, worth $1.50
Ladies' Wool Leggins Reduced to 39c.
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A COUNTER CHARGE.

How the Howell-Vandyke Affair is Regarded at Ashley.

The town of Ashley in Washington is the home of Squire Vandyke, son of George Vandyke who last Thanksgiving Day after many difficulties married Florence Howell, in Long Creek township, this county. George disappeared it will be remembered two weeks after the marriage. Referring to the disappearance and what Mr. Howell has said about the affair in the REPUBLICAN, the following appears in a recent copy of the Ashley *Gazette:*

In an interview with a Decatur REPUBLICAN reporter Mr. Howell denounced his son-in-law in bitter and unmeasured terms, stating the determination of his daughter to have nothing further to do whith her husband. Mr. Howell gathered the information that his son-in-law was no good from letters which he claimed to have received from J. R. Vandyke father of the young man. Mr. Howell in his statement says George Vandyke represented himself to be a man who was never married before, while is a matter of fact he was married several years ago, and is the father of four children, who live with their grand father, the mother being dead. Squire Vandyke called at the *Gazette* office last Wednesday and when shown the article from the Decatur paper denied in indignant and emphatic language the authorship of letters to Mr. Howell that justified him in making such a slanderous statement in regard to his son. George Vandyke was at his father's home near Ashley last week, leaving Thursday: Upon being questioned regarding the cause of the separation between George and his wife, Mr. Van Dyke informed the editor of the *Gazette* that it arose over the refusal of his son's wife to take the position of stepmother to his children. The elder Van Dyke avered his determination to seek legal redress at the hands of Mr. Howell for the slanderous and untruthful statement which he caused to be published in the Decatur REPUBLICAN. George Van Dyke is well known in Ashley and vicinity, and considerable interest is felt by people who have known him all his life as to the termination of his matrimonial troubles.

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THE MILAM SCANDAL CASE.

James Bradley on Trial for Attempted Outrage.

Judge Vail resumed business in the circuit court this morning, the court, officials and jury having taken a day off to remember George Washington as best suited them.

The time of the court up to noon was taken up in hearing evidence in a chancery case, in which the plaintiff, a native of Poland, desires to have money paid him, money which he had put into property and had taken no receipt. It was impossible to understand some of the witnesses and Sheriff Perl was brought in to serve as interpreter. The court took the case under advisement.

THE BRADLEY CASE.

The case of The People vs. James Bradley, charged with an attempt to outrage Mrs. Myrtle Cowger, is now on trial. It is a scandal case from Milam township, east of Macon, and the crime is alleged to have been committed on May 21, 1891, when the husband of the woman was not at home. The accusation is that Bradley, who is a young man about 30 years of age, had gone to the Cowger place to borrow a hoe, and that while there he made improper advances toward the woman Several months later the facts came out, and the story got to the grand jury. State's Attorney Mills is prosecuting the case, and Buckingham & Shroll appear for the defendant. A jury had not been secured up to the hour of going to press. The trial will probably last all week, as there are many witnesses in attendance.

From Wednesday's Daily.

The trial of James Bradley in the circuit court for an assault upon Mrs. Myrtle Cowger, wife of John Cowger, with intent to commit an outrage, is commanding the absorbing attention of the jury and a large number of spectators. The jurymen are: Walter Hutchin, A. J. Keck, Sylvester Noaker, J. W. Ayers, John E. Braden, G. S. Corn, Jack Lilly, J. F. Mattee, James Jordan, Benjamin Clark, C. B. Blankenship and J. H. Ramey.

The chief prosecuting witness, Mrs. Cowger, was put on the stand this morning, and she related the story of the attempted assault, which was made May 21, 1891, at the farm house in Milam township, east of Macon. There was no one at home except the witness that day when Bradley came to the house to borrow a hoe. Before he went away the improper advances were made On the cross-examination which was conducted by Attorney Buckingham the witness was bombarded with a fusilade of questions, forcing her to go into details. The trial will continue several days. A number of ladies from Milam township are present to testify in the case.

It is expected that Amos Scribner will have another trial at this term for the assault made upon James Portwood at Long Grove, south of Macon. At the first trial the jury failed to agree. Papers were issued to-day for the witnesses.

Dr. Marquis Goes to Holy Land.

Dr. D. C. Marquis on Sunday announced to the congregation of the Second Presbyterian church at Bloomington that he could not preach for them any longer as it was his intention to sail Saturday, March 5, for a tour of Egypt and the Holy Land. Dr. Marquis is professor of the new testament and of Greek at the McCormick Theological seminary of Chicago, and goes to the Holy Land particularly for the purpose of collecting material for a book which he is expecting to publish in the future. He sails on the steamer Circassia for Liverpool and from there goes directly to Port Said and to Jerusalem and the Holy Land He remains there until the middle of June, when he goes to Berlin to meet his wife, who will arrive there then, and both will remain in Europe until September, when they will return to Chicago.

Letter List.

The following is a list of letters remaining uncalled for at the Decatur Postoffice February 23, 1892

Allison, Samuel	Hauser, Frank
Barrow, C. E.	Howell, Mrs. J. R.
Bennett, C N.	Hyatt, Mrs. Elizabeth
Bell, Mrs Allie L.	Kanney, Joseph
Bickers, Miss Laura	Kitch, George
Beales, Tom	Lang, W. T.
Ballard, John	La Boulte, W F.
Beal, Mrs. M. G.	Lambert, Mrs. Julia
Clark, Mrs. Ada	Lundsay, Fred D.
Colurll, W.	Lemon, Mrs. W J
Corrington, Mrs. Etta	Miller, A. N.
Carney, Edd	Moore, Harvey
Davidson, Mrs. Emma	McKayn, Dick
Dickinson, Mrs. C.	McKeown, Dick
Dragoo, Thornton	Morrog, William
Dowrie, P. C.	Martin, Harry
Eulery, J S	Mercher, Miss Lena
Fiske, F. H.	Padgitt, C. H.
Fuarman, Sadie C.	Pye, Edwin
Graves, Miss Edna	Phillips, Thros
Hook, Thos. & Co	Robinson, Flavia A
Hawthorn, Mrs. H. I	Rhodes, Alfred
Hosford, John	Robinson, Miss J.
Highland, I. J.	Ryan, Mrs. Kate
Hilford, W. M.	White, Mrs Rosa
Howard, Marshall	Wagner, Miss Josie
Hunt, James A	Welch, Jim
Hoggard, Willard	Wilbur, Henry S.
Hackings, Fred	Williams, Capt. H. E
Hudson, Fred	Washeak, Charles.

FOREIGN.

Ten Sister, Delmatia

J. T. HUBBARD, P M.

Suicide of Albert Price.

A marked copy of the Fredonia, Kansas, *Citizen*, has been received in Decatur, stating that Albert Price, aged 25, committed suicide near Fredonia by shooting himself with a rifle. Deceased was a native of Mt. Zion township, Macon county, and was a son of John W. Price, who left for the west with his family about 20 years ago. The *Citizen* gives no explanation for the suicide.

DIED.

At the family residence, No. 535 South Seigel street, of tumor in the right side, J. Edward Lynch, son of A. Lynch, aged 22 years

The funeral will occur at 9 a. m., Feb. 25th, from the house. Burial at Salem cemetery, southwest of Decatur.

ROAD IMPROVEMENT.

Arguments in Favor of Graveled Roads—A Great Help to Decatur.

The arguments for the gravel roads have been so iterated and reiterated that nothing new can be said, and there is but one opinion heard from every quarter, that the state ought to have them. The demand for such improvement in roads as shall make travel possible was never more impressed upon Decatur people than during the present season. Merchants have seen their daily receipts dwindling down because the farm trade could not get in over the awful roads. Indirectly the falling off in trade affects all classes of residents. The farmers want to come to this city. It is their natural market, and they have stuff to sell to produce buyers that will give them money to spend among Decatur sellers of goods. But they are tied up on their farm because it would take seventeen yoke of steers and a dozen mules to drag an ordinary vehicle through the sticky mud. "I have got a lot of wheat out on my farm that I am very anxious to bring to mill," said a farmer who rode in on horseback the other day, "but I haven't any steam engine on my farm and four horses couldn't hall a load of wheat over these roads.

Illinois can watch Missouri and gain a little valuable information about this matter from our neighbors across the swim. These measures have been taken to have a general meeting of officials from all the counties in the state and formulate some plan for bringing the question of gravel roads before the state legislature. Seriously this question of improving the roads of the state is pressing, and some new solution must be found either in general legislation or local laws, or by the combined efforts of citizens whose business interests and property depends upon the condition of the country roads 'round about. A systematic and judicious method of making and keeping the public highways in an easily passable condition, would be great advantages to the merchant, a God send to the farmer, and direct benefit to all classes.

He Will Go.

The congregation of Dr. W. S. Danley of the First Cumberland Presbyterian church of Lincoln, has requested him not to leave, but he has accepted the charge of the First Cumberland Presbyterian church of Kansas City May 1.

MARKET REPORT.

Grain and Provisions.

ST. LOUIS—Flour—Fancy to extra fancy, $3.75@4 25, patents, $4.10@4 55 Wheat—No 2 red, 94½c. No 3 red, 91½c. Futures closed February, 93½c n. March. 93⅜c n; May, 91⅝c, July, 88⅛c a Corn—No 2 mixed, 36⅜c, No. 2, white, 39@39½c Futures closed February, 36¾c a. March, 36⅝c, May, 37⅝@37¾c a Oats—No. 2, 30½@31c Hay—Prairie, $8 50@9 00; mixed timothy, $8.50@9 50; clear timothy, $9.50@12 50 Butter—Creamery, 24@27c, dairy, 20@25c Eggs—Fresh, 15½c. Lard — Prime steam, 6 30c Pork — New standard mess, $11 62½ Bacon — Longs, 6 45@6.50c; clear, 6 60@6.62½c; clear ribs, 6 45@6 50c, all packed. Wool—Choice tub-washed, 32c

NEW YORK—Flour—Minnesota extras, $3 20@5.30; City Mills extras, $5.00@5 15 for West Indies; fine $2 45@3.16; superfine, $2 85@3 15. Wheat—No 2 red winter, cash, $1.03 March, $1.05; April, $1.05½; May, $1 03¾. Corn—No 2 mixed, cash, 49½c; March, 48¼c, April 49⅛c; May, 49⅛c Oats—No 2 mixed, cash, 36c; May, 37½c Pork—New mess, $9.75@10.50 Lard—May, 6 88c. Butter—Western extras, 29½@30c Eggs—State, fresh, 19@19½c.

CHICAGO—Opening quotations. Wheat—May, 93@93⅛c Corn—May, 41¾@41⅞c Oats—May, 31¼@31c Pork—May, $11 72½@11 75 Lard—May, 6 60@6 55c Ribs—May, 5 97½@5.87½c, Closing quotations. Wheat — Cash 89¼c; March, 90¼c; May, 92½@92⅝c Corn—Cash, 40¼c; February, 40½@40⅝c, March, 40¾@40⅞c; May, 41¾@41⅞c, June 40¾c, July, 41⅛c Oats—Cash, 29@29¼c, February, 29c; May, 31⅛c Pork—Mess cash, $11 32½, May, $11 57½. Lard—Cash. 6.40c; May, 6 55c Ribs—Cash 5 75c; May, 5 80c Seed—Prime timothy, $1 27. Butter—Steady. Eggs—Steady.

Live Stock Market.

ST. LOUIS—Cattle—Choice steers, $4 70@5.00; good, $4 35@4 65 butchers', $3.00@3 65. Hogs—Packing, $4.50@4 70 butchers' hogs, $4 70@4 90, Yorkers $4 60@4 70 Sheep—Prices range at $4.75@6 00, lambs, $5 00@6 25.

HORSES.

Heavy draft, extra	$125 00 to $150 00
Heavy draft, good	90 00 to 120 00
Drivers, good to extra	110 00 to 100 00
Saddlers, good to extra	100 00 to 150 00
Matched teams, good to extra.	150 00 to 350 00
Southern horses and mares	60 00 to 85 00

MULES

15 hands, extra, 4 to 7 years.	100 00 to 110 00
15½ hands, extra, 4 to 7 years	120 00 to 135 00
14½ hands, 4 to 7 years	65 00 to 75 00
16 to 16½ hands, extra, 4 to 7 years	125 00 to 160 00

KANSAS CITY—Cattle — Steers $3 45@4 50; cows, $1 55@3 40; stockers and feeders, $2 75@3 50 Hogs—All grades $3 60@4.60, bulk, $4.50@4 56

INDIANAPOLIS—Cattle — Hogs — Choice heavy shipping $4.85@4 90, heavy and mixed packing, $4 70@4 80, choice lights, $4 70@4 80; common lights, $4 25@4.50, pigs. $3.50@3 75, roughs, $3 50@4 25

CINCINNATI—Hogs—Common and light, $3.50@4 80; packing and butchers', $4 60@5.00

Cotton.

Quotations for middling range as follows; St Louis, 6⅝c, New York, 7⅛c, New Orleans, 6 9-16c, Memphis, 6 9-16c Galveston, 6 9-16c.

Financial.

NEW YORK, Feb. 24—Money on call loaned easy at 2½@3 per cent. Exchange steady; posted rates, 486½@489; actual rates, 485¼@485½ for sixty days, and 488@488½ for demand Governments steady; currency 6s, 109 bid; 4s, coupon, 116¼ bid, extended 2s, registered, 100 bid. The sales to noon amounted to 178,900 shares. The opening was firm, with prices ⅛ to ⅜ per cent. higher, but a pressure to sell Chicago gas resulted in a sudden drop in that stock of 2¼ per cent, to 77¾, in the early dealings, and a sharp reaction in the others Jersey Central and Reading were also freely sold, and declined 1 per cent. each Burlington also dropped a similar amount. Atchison and Lake Erie & Western were also very weak Toward the end of the hour the downward movement was checked, and there was a sharp rally Chicago gas recovered 1 per cent At 11 o'clock the market was dull and featureless In the second hour to noon prices again weakened. Lake Erie & Western preferred was the weak spot, declining 1 per cent. The remainder of the list declined fractionally At noon the bottom figures of the morning were current

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trembling spells, cataract, burning and smarting of the eyes, various nervous and brain affections, etc., entailing not only positive injury to the sight, but untold misery. Charles Lincoln Smith will be at the St. Nicholas hotel parlors Saturday and Monday, February 27 and 29. CONSULTATION ABSOLUTELY FREE.

DO NOT TRIFLE WITH YOUR EYES AS LOST SIGHT NEVER RETURNS. Remember it costs no more to employ a first-class expert, than it does to risk your vision with inexperienced hands. THE PROOF. Cures are the best recommendation. REMEMBER, the value of a pair of spectacles depend upon the skill of the optician, both as an anatomist and mechanical expert in the mechanics of optics *We grind, polish and adjust our glasses to each case to insure an absolute fit in every case taken by us.* He carries a large stock of artificial human eyes. Every shade, size and color. Will be at the St. Nicholas hotel, Decatur, Ill., February 27 and 29, 1892.

Good Templars.

Decatur Lodge No. 464, I. O. G. T., held a very interesting meeting last night, about 75 members being present, Several applications for membership were read, and F. E. Bunn, delegate to the District Lodge, held at Champaign 16th and 17th insts., gave a report of the sessions: He reported twelve new lodges since last session, and thirty-one lodges represented. The district degree was conferred upon forty-five delegates. All lodges represented were in splendid working order. The next session will be held at Atwood, third Tuesday in August. After the report the following program was rendered, having been prepared by the boys: Reading, "Now," D. L. Bunn; instrumental solo, Daisy Osmery; cornet Geo. Crane; oration, Lulu Elliott; essay, "Woman," Arthur Wilson; cornet solo, Geo. Crane; solo, F. E. Bunn; remarks, Oka Calvin. The lodge will tender the Y. W. C. T. U. the use of their rooms for the present, the Y's having been burned out in the recent Library Block fire.

WHEN you are betting on an absolutely sure thing, save out five cents for car-fare home.

SORE THROATS.

Beware of sore throats. This is the biginning of danger. When the children complain of difficulty in this direction, do not delay but attend to them at once. This is the symptom that denotes the presence of dyptheria, scarlet fever and a number of other contagious diseases. The moment the symptom appears, give them Reid's German Cough and Kidney Cure. It will absolutely cure every trouble of this sort In this respect it has no equal on the market anywhere. It contains no poison and can be given with the utmost freedom without danger, but it is a certain cure for every malady that arises from a cold, no matter how deep seated it may be. This makes it an admirable remedy for children and aged people. For sale by all druggists.

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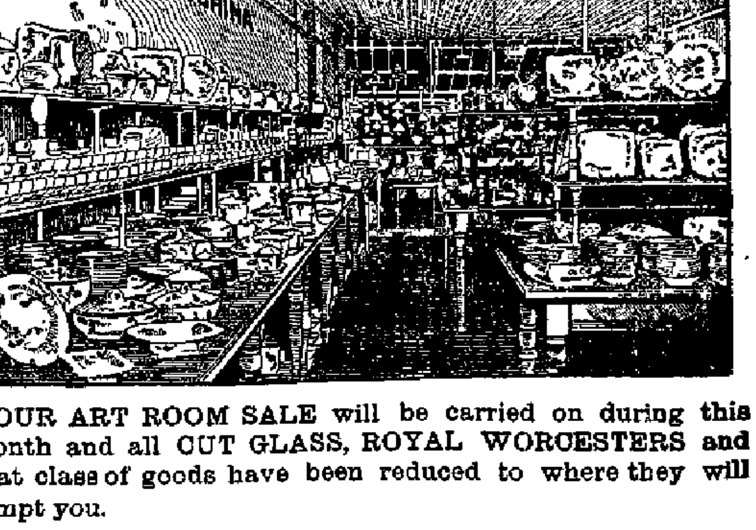
BARGAIN ✻ SALE!

Our second annual sale of FEBRUARY BARGAINS will open Monday morning in our China Department. This sale embraces many FINE GOODS not in WHOLE SETS; plates from which one or more have been broken or sold, escolloped Oyster Sets, Pudding Sets, Odd Creamers and Sugars, Water Jugs and Caraffles.

In this sale you will find some of the HANDSOMEST Goods ever brought to Decatur. We have a few of those very fine plates, the prices of which ran from $40 to $100 per dozen. The few left will go into this sale. Don't miss it.



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WEEKLY REPUBLICAN.

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MORE Hill delegates in New York.

CLEVELAND'S misfortunes began after he married, and calamity struck him after the birth of Baby Ruth.

THUS far Joel M. Longenecker has all the delegates elected to the state convention.

MOUNT VESSUVIUS is again in a state of eruption and a great stream of molten lava is flowing from its base.

MAYOR WASHBURNE of Chicago declares that he is not a candidate for congress in the fourth district, and says he favors the nomination of Geo. S. Willits.

SENATOR PALMER addressed the senate to-day on his proposed constitutional amendment providing for the election of United States senators by direct vote of the people.

INDIANA Republicans say the beneficial effects of the McKinley law have been so great in Indiana that the state will be Republican this fall no matter who the candidate may be.

IN an interview in New York Secretary of War Elkins is reported as saying that the President is a candidate for renomination, that he would be renominated at Minneapolis and would be re-elected.

SENATOR GEORGE F. BACON of Paris will within a few days announce his withdrawal as a candidate for congress against Hon. J. G. Cannon, leaving the latter without an opponent in the field.

THE attempt to wreck a train in Chili on which President Montt and General Canto were supposed to be has led to the suspicion that there is a determination to overthrow the new government by assassination.

COL. ROBERT G. INGERSOLL has said he will bring suit against the Rev. Mr. Dixon of New York for libel. Should Mr. Ingersoll carry out his threat, it will be one of the worst pieces of folly he ever perpetrated.

ENGLAND has, it seems, not been successful in stamping out the foot and mouth disease among cattle, and at this time it is causing a good deal of trouble. Quarantines are the order, and wherever there are symptoms of the disease or has been exposure the cattle are killed.

SPEAKER CRISP it is reported has assured the free silver Democrats of the House that he is in favor of the free silver coinage bill having a fair show in the House, and will see that it is made a special order. And yet Democratic leaders have been telling us that the Democratic party is not committed to free coinage.

THE McLean county Republican central committee met in Bloomington yesterday and fixed April 19th as the date on which the county convention shall be held. It was agreed that this convention shall nominate the county officers and select delegates to the senatorial convention, and thus avoid holding two conventions.

JUDGE MORAN of the Apellate court of Cook county has announced that he will within the next few days forward to the Governor his resignation. He gives as his reason for this step that he will become a member of the firm of Kraus Meyer & Stein and will increase, by the change, his present income from $7,000 to $30,000 or $40,000 a year.

THE effort of the friends of some of the rival candidates for governor to discount Longenecker's victory in Richland county is becoming a trifle amusing. Stand up gentlemen; don't try to be funny in order to hide your chagrin. Stand up like men and take your medicine for not one of you would hesitate a moment to give your boots to have your fellow in Longenecker's Richland county shoes.

THE anti-free silver Democrats in the house are making overtures to the Republicans to aid them in defeating the free silver bill in the house, but the Republicans are not disposed to assist in relieving the Democratic party from the dilemma into which it has come by its demagoguery. The Republicans will not object to the Democrats passing a free silver bill. The issue will be more clearly defined by the bill going to the President and receiving his veto than by killing it in the house by filibustering with a Democratic anti-silver faction.

First Blood for Longnecker.

From Thursday's Daily.

About a week ago the town of Olney, in Richland county, held its primaries and notwithstanding the fact that a resolution instructing the delegates to the county convention for Fifer was withdrawn, it was telegraphed over the country that the delegation was for Fifer.

The county convention was held yesterday. It is said to have been a hot one as there are four state appointees in the county who were loyal to the governor and worked hard for their chief, but when it came to a show down, the convention instructed for Longnecker for Governor, Tanner for Treasurer, and Pavey for Auditor. Judge Longnecker once lived in this county, and the instructions under the circumstances amount to a great compliment to him and are also significant that Longnecker will have a respectable following in southern Illinois.

This is the first convention held in the state and the friends of Longnecker will be justifiable in making the most of it.

The Fallacy of Free Wool.

American *Economist*: The "reformers" who have made free wool their watchword in the coming (?) great battle of tariff smashing, have advanced so curious and wonderful argument in justification that it is worthy the most careful consideration of both wool growers and woolen manufacturers (even those in favor of "free raw materials") This argument, in the form in which it is generally stated by the free trader, is substantially as follows: "The result of removing the duty from wool," says the "reformer," "will be cheaper wool, and, therefore, the clothing manufactured from this wool will also be cheaper: in consequence of which more clothing will be worn than is worn now. The effect of this increased demand for clothing will be an increased demand for wool, a resulting higher price, and the farmer and sheep raiser will, therefore, be benefited as never before. In other words my system of free wool is going to be a panacea, which will give cheaper wool to the manufacturer, and at the same time dearer wool to the farmer." Just at about this stage of the argument you may ask: "But if the ultimate result of removing the duty will be to raise the price of wool, how will the manufacturer be benefited, especially if at the same time you are going to remove the compensating duties from woolen goods?" By the time you get through saking this question, however, you will generally find that the "reformer" has disappeared.

Considered even in the most favorable light this argument is perhaps the most ridiculous (if not dishonest) which the fertile brain of the Free-Trader has ever evolved. For it is manifest that free wool cannot result in cheaper wool and in dearer wool at one and the same time. If the removal of the duty is to have any effect at all, one of two things must follow, either the price of wool must raise, or it must fall. If the price rises, the manufacturer will not be benefited, but will rather suffer greatly, since free wool means also a much lower duty on woolen goods; and he will, therefore, loose both ways. If, on the other hand, the price of wool falls, the farmer, instead of receiving any advantage, will be greatly injured.

Nepotism.

John M. Palmer must be a great reformer. He says he is, and he could not be mistaken in so important a matter as that. He may have done things which per se might indicate that, as a reformer, he was open to criticism, but when taken in connection with his professions must be accepted as all right. Take for instance the method of his election to the senate.

He started out backed by that angelic organization known as the Democratic party, in favor of the election of a United States senator by the people; but when the polls were closed it was found he lacked two legislative votes of the total number necessary to elect.

A loan of $5,000, a game of poker and a few more incidentals brought the necessary votes. In all the business necessary to this election Palmer had a friend who never for a moment wavered nor doubted the honesty or ability of his chief to land on his feet. That friend was John L. Pickering. Like the white plume of Henry, of Navarre—wherever the reformer Palmer was the thickest there could be seen John L. Pickering. When Palmer was elected he felt grateful to all his friends, and especially to Pickering, and appointed him to the position of his private secretary. Palmer carried Pickering with his stuff to Washington. Pickering thought he was fixed, but Palmer, in an unfortunate moment, concluded that $6 a day—which John L. was drawing—might best be kept in the Palmer family. Pickering was asked for his resignation, and Mrs. Weber, the daughter of Senator Palmer, was appointed his successor. Thus the great reformer has managed to get the consent of his conscience to practice nepotism, and the man who did more than all others to keep the venerable statesman well written up in the great Democratic dailies, has been turned out into a cold and heartless world, while the Palmers, among them, will manage to draw their salaries without a qualm of conscience.

The Democratic Convention.

The Democratic state central committee will meet in Chicago next Monday to fix the time and place for the Democratic state convention. It is rumored, says the Springfield *Journal*, that Col. Morrison's friends have succeeded in securing the pledges of a majority of the committee to locate the convention at Peoria instead of at Springfield. They could not have secured the requisite majority, however, on Col. Morrison's account, but his friends will be reinforced by three or four members of the committee, who will vote against Springfield to emphasize their resentment at the course of the *State Register* towards all the leading Democrats of Illinois who did not bow down and worship Mr. Springer during the Speakership contest.

SPRINGFIELD *Journal*: The story published by a Democratic evening paper in Chicago to the effect that Senator Cullom had spoken in a disparaging way of President Harrison and General Alger hardly needed the emphatic denial given it by Senator Cullom. He does not entertain the sentiments thus falsely attributed to him, and would not give them expression if he did. Their publication is simply an evidence that he is regarded as a formidable candidate for President and has therefore become subject to all sort of misrepresentation by Democratic newspapers.

The Drawback on Salt.

The Decatur *Review* has taken the pains to give us a dissertation in a new direction on the tariff on salt. It tells its readers that the McKinley law makes the American farmer buy protected salt while the packer is allowed to get the free market article under the provisions of the McKinley law by which exporters of meat cured with imported salt may be allowed a drawback equivalent to the duties paid on the salt.

This seems to be a new grievance on the part of the *Review*, and its cause is charged up to the McKinley law. That organ does not seem to know that the tariff act of 1883, which David B. Hill, the leading Democratic candidate for President, wants restored, had the same provision. When the McKinley bill came from the committee on ways and means that provision was not in the bill, but was placed there by amendment afterwards against the protest of the salt producers of the country.

The reason urged for the provision when it was put there in 1883 was that it would be in the interest of the American farmer. We sought foreign markets for our surplus meats, and it was argued by European buyers and believed by free trade Democrats that foreign salt preserves meats better than American salt, and the drawback clause was put there in 1883 to induce exporters of meat to cure it with foreign salt and thus remove the objection of the foreign buyer of American meats cured with American salt. McKinley did not believe in that sort of nonsense, and left it out of the original bill.

In the hearings before the committee on ways and means in 1890, the question of the relative value of American and European salt to cure meat was canvassed and Mr. Flower, (Democrat), now governor of New York, examined Samuel T. Kerr of Philadelphia on that point. In a protest, sent to Roger Q. Mills in 1887, when the Mills bill was under consideration, signed by several gentlemen interested in the salt trade, it is urged and proof is offered to show that American salt is equal to foreign salt for butter-making and for curing meats. So we have history to disprove the statement that the rebate on salt is made in the interest of the packer.

But, in the absence of this proof, there is a fact which shows the weakness of the *Review's* assumption. American salt is worth $4 20 a ton in New York or Chicago A ton of English salt, without duty, costs $3.32 laid down in New York, or 88 cents less than the American salt. With this margin of 88 cents it is a trifle hard for any one, not a free trade Democrat, to see how Phil Armour in Chicago, whom the *Review* says this rebate provision is made to benefit, because he has influence in the Fourteenth ward, has any advantage over the Illinois farmer.

Salt has never proven a profitable subject for American free traders to discuss, and the new line on salt, which the *Review* has struck, is not likely to prove a rich lead.

Two Remarkable News Items.

The Associated Press sent out two important interviews yesterday which if true would turn the entire political situation in both parties up side down. One of these dispatches states that David B. Hill will go into the National Democratic convention with the entire New York delegation; but, at the proper time will rise in his place in the convention and insist upon the nomination of Grover Cleveland. The other dispatch after stating that when Secretary Elkin's letter claiming that in his opinion President Harrison would be renominated and reelected, was made public in New York City, a Republican senator, who chanced to be at a hotel in that city said that the west and south were not in favor of Harrison and that a number of prominent Republicans, if Harrison's name should come before the Minneapolis convention, would rise in their places and protest against his renomination. These are both remarkable announcements, but are necessarily dependent on many contingencies for fulfilment.

In the first place Mr. Hill must be a delegate himself to have the right of the floor in the convention, which he is not at all likely to be, being himself a candidate. Then again, to display such devotion to Cleveland, after spending five years of his life to shelve that statesman, would require a sort of character that David B. Hill has not exhibited up to date. He is not the sort of man that is likely to sing psalms at his own funeral. On the other hand Grover Cleveland, without a delegation from his own state, were he to accept a nomination from the man who has trodden him under foot, would be the candidate of a conservator, and as such would cut a sorry figure as a nominee.

As to the other story, the same rules would apply as to the privileges of the floor of the convention, and should any delegate assume to say that Mr. Harrison should not be nominated, he would at once defeat the chances for nomination of any man he might prefer to Mr. Harrison. Mr. Harrison can not be defeated by the tactics suggested in these dispatches; nor could Mr. Cleveland afford to accept the nomination under the contingencies suggested as likely to occur. Such stories as these are so silly that they should not find room in our great dailies.

THE best grindstones now made are artificial, and are composed of a mixture of pulverized quartz, powdered flint, powdered emery and rubber.

What Your Great Grandmother Did.

She hetcheled the flax and carded the wool, and wove the linen, and spun the tow, and made the clothes for her husband and ten children. She made butter and cheese, she dipped tallow candles, to light the house at night, and she cooked all the food for her household by an open fire place and a brick oven. Yes; and when she was forty years of age, she was already an old lady whose best days were over. Her shoulders were bent and her joints enlarged by hard work, and she wore spectacles and a cap.

Her great granddaughter, with all the modern conveniences for comfort, refinement and luxury, may be as charming and attractive at forty-five as at twenty. Especially is this true if she preserves her health by the use of Dr. Pierce's Favorite Prescription, which wards off all female ailments and irregularities, cures them if they already exist, keeps the life current healthful and vigorous, and enables the woman of middle age to retain the freshness of girlhood upon brow and cheek, the light of youth in her eyes, and its elasticity in her step.

Go to your drug store, pay a dollar, get a bottle and try it—try a second, a third if necessary. Before the third one's been taken you'll know that there's a remedy to help you. Then you'll keep on and a cure'll come.

But if you shouldn't feel the help, should be disappointed in the results — you'll find a guarantee printed on the bottle-wrapper that'll get your money back for you.

Can you ask more?

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COUNTY OF MACON. }

In the County Court to the July Term, A. D. 1892.

In the matter of the application of the city of Decatur, to open and establish an alley.

To MARY BOLES.—You are hereby notified that the above entitled proceedings are now pending in said court in said county and state, and that said proceedings are pending to the next term of said court, and that in and by said proceedings land owned by you is sought to be taken and damaged for the purpose of opening and establishing an alley.

Now, unless you shall personally be and appear before said court on the first day of said term to be held in said city, county and state, on the fifth day of July, A. D. 1892, to which time and place the summons is returnable, and object, plead, answer or demur to the said petition, the same and the matters and things therein charged and stated, will be taken as confessed and an order, judgment and decree entered against you according to the prayer of said petition.

GEO. P. HARNY, County Clerk.

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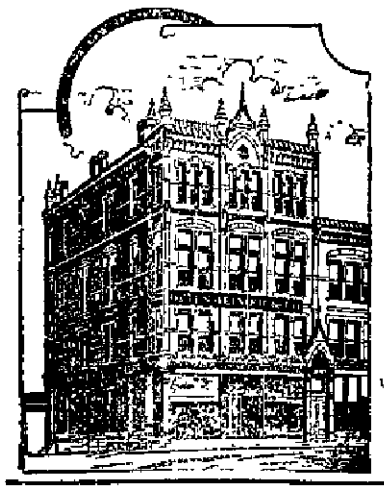
Now is the Time to Buy Boys' Suits.



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GOOD ROADS.

A Subject that Receives Great Attention at this Season of the Year.

The question of good roads in Illinois is calculated to remind one of the man the roof of whose house leaked badly When it rained he could not repair it, and when the weather was fine it was good enough.

The importance and profit of good country roads is beginning to receive the attention of farmers. They well know that when weather and conditions are such that they can do no other work and have plenty of time to haul produce to the station, that the roads are so bad that it is worth a large per cent of the value of the gain to haul it, whereas if they had good, hard, smooth roads they could market their grain when prices are highest and deliver it at any time they please.

But until the making and care of public roads is placed under state supervision, instead of left to the whims, judgment (or lack of judgment) of "road-district path-masters," so long shall we have a mile or so of poor followed by a half mile of fair and a stretch of almost impassable roadway.

Once let the farmer fully realize that he can save fully one dollar a load in horseflesh, wagon, harness and driver's time, on a good road over a poor one, and he will begin to figure out the profits of a good road, and so sure as he does, he will favor good roads.

In Decatur and adjoining townships the problem has been solved to some extent. Gravel has been retailed in four directions out of Decatur, and the farmers will extend the roads of gravel in time to the county line.

The National Guard

The annual cost of maintaining the U. S. army is about $1,000 per man. The armies in Europe cost from about $450 per man in England to $125 per man in Russia, while our organized militia costs a little less than $24 per man, of which the general government contributes one-sixth and the states five sixths. Officers and men give their services free (except a nominal pay while in camp), and contribute for uniforms, traveling expenses and other purposes an amount which probably exceeds the amount paid by the state.

A Mystery Explained.

The papers contain frequent notices of rich, pretty, and educated girls eloping with negroes, tramps and coachmen. The well-known specialist, Dr. Franklin Miles says all such girls are more or less hysterical, nervous, very impulsive, unbalanced; usually subject to headache, neuralgia, sleeplessness, immoderate crying or laughing. These show a weak nervous system for which there is no remedy equal to Restorative Nervine. Trial bottles and a fine book containing many marvelous cures free at W. C. Armstrong, who also sell and guarantee Dr. Miles' celebrated New Heart Cure, the finest of heart tonics. Cures fluttering, short breath, etc. dew

NO DIVORCE.

The Side-Splitting Testimony in a Hoosier Court.

The famous Peterman divorce case which has been on trial all week in Crawfordsville, Ind., came to an end yesterday. Over 200 witnesses were examined, and nearly 500 citizens of Mace were constant spectators. The defendant, Clarence Peterman, is a large property holder and merchant of Mace. His wife sued for divorce and $1,000 alimony, and the custody of the child, Grover Cleveland Peterman, who was born on the day Cleveland was defeated by Harrison. Before the parties were married, in 1887, they had signed an ante-nuptial contract, in which the bride agreed to make hot biscuit every meal and cut the hair of Clarence. He agreed to get a barber to shave him, and to ride in the cars. Neither of these things he had ever done before, and the evidence showed that he did not after marriage.

In her complaint Mrs. Peterson averred that Clarence had deliberately sold a calf he had given her to get her to take medicine when she was sick; that once when she baked light bread instead of biscuit he threw it to the hogs; that he insisted on parting little Grover Cleveland's hair in the middle; that he refused her money to celebrate last 4th of July, and many other things equally as ludicrous. Clarence had a cross complaint, in which he said he sold the calf because his wife persisted in keeping it in the house as a pet; that she would not bake biscuit according to contract; that she once locked little Grover Cleveland in the cupboard and went hickory nutting; that she insisted on keeping a hired girl who spit on the skillet to see if it was hot enough to cook on, and that she committed many other grievous offenses.

The court room was packed during the trial, and the audience constantly howled with laughter at the side-splitting evidence. Judge Harney refused the divorce.

FALL CIRCUIT FORMED.

Decatur Joins It—Some Good Speed Promised on That Occasion.

President James S. Neville of Bloomington has just received word from Danville, Kankakee and Decatur, expressing a willingness of these cities to form a fall racing circuit. This will be a piece of good news to Bloomington lovers of speed. This newly formed circuit is what may be called a fair circuit and will begin in September, though the dates have of course not yet been fixed. Each association will agree to hang up $25,000 in stakes and purses, with a per cent entrance fee. Decatur had not heretofore expressed her willingness to join and that city will prove a valuable addition. They are building a fine mile track down there and taking great interest in speed events for the coming season.—*Bloomington Leader.*

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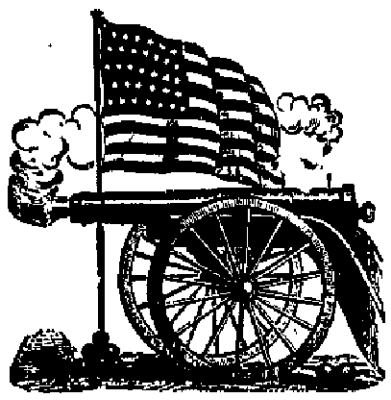

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FIRE AT A WEDDING.

A GASOLINE STOVE CAUSES TROUBLE AT THE MARRIAGE FEAST.

Serious Injury to Mrs. Oliver Logan Mother of the Bride.

From Friday's Daily.

Over one hundred neighbors and friends assembled at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Oliver Logan, half a mile north of Elwin, last evening, to witness the happy marriage of Mr. John F. Cornthwait and Miss Lenora F. Logan. The officiating clergyman was Rev. W. L. Bankson, of Blue Mound. Among those who offered congratulations were many friends from Decatur who went down in a covered hack drawn by four horses.

THE FIRE.

Elaborate preparations had been made for the wedding feast, and it was a superb repast served under the personal supervision of Mrs. Logan, mother of the bride. A number of the guests had arisen from the first table, and Mrs. Logan and her friends were busily engaged in preparing the second table, when an unfortunate accident occurred, which luckily did not result fatally. The family had recently purchased a gasoline stove and it was in use in the kitchen. Mrs. Logan was standing close to the stove, when suddenly there was a flash of flame to the ceiling. Before she could jump back out of the way Mrs. Logan was seriously burned on the hands and on the face, while her eyebrows and hair were singed. Mr. Logan and a number of men picked up the flaming stove and threw it out into the yard, and Mrs. Logan was carried out on the porch where she fainted, and was in an alarming state for quite awhile. General excitement among the guests ensued, and it was nearly an hour before quiet was restored. Mrs. Logan regained consciousness, but she took no further part in the entertainment of the company. It was thought for a time that the lady had inhaled some of the fire, but the fact that Mrs. Logan was able to walk and converse gave the assurance that her lungs were not affected.

The ceiling of the kitchen was burnt and blackened. But for the prompt action of the men in throwing the stove out, the house would have been destroyed by fire. As it was it was a close call, and a general stampede in the crowded room was narrowly averted.

THEY WILL VOTE.

Normal Women Will Exercise the Privilege of Voting for School Officers.

A committee of citizens in the town of Normal waited upon Miss Adella Hanna and she has given her consent allowing her name to be used for a member of the board of education at the coming school election. All who know Miss Hanna will agree that she is thoroughly qualified to fill this responsible position.

It is understood that the women of Normal wish a voice in the election of school officers but are not seeking to draw the lines and get up an excitement on the suffrage question. No town can boast of more intelligent and delightful women than Normal, and the man who would deny them any voice in the education of their children is a boor.

A BIG TANNERY TRUST.

The New Rapid Process May Revolutionize the Business.

The discovery of a process by which leather may be tanned in 24 hours may result in the formation of a gigantic trust which will control the entire tanning industry in America, if not the world. Two methods of quick tanning have been invented, one by a German who, with capitalists back of him, is represented in this country by Herman Olnhausen, of Berlin, who stopped in Chicago on Friday. Augustus Shultz, of Wilmington, Del., has patented a similar process in this country, which is now being used by Poederer Brothers, of Frankford, and other large tanners. Mr. Olnhausen claims to represent a syndicate with a capital of £5,000,000, and is empowered to secure options on any and all tanneries willing to adopt the new process.

Wheat Raising in Mexico.

Recent studies into the matter of wheat raising indicate that the high tablelands of Mexico will soon be used for that purpose. Lack of railroad facilities has kept that region from competing heretofore, but the prospect now is that the railroads will soon be constructed.—New York Times.

Adirondack Lumber.

During last year there were 300,000,000 feet of timber cut in the Adirondack forests. Of the whole quantity two-thirds was made into lumber and the remainder into paper pulp, and all by the wood pulp mills in the Adirondack region, the product being 109,200 tons of wood pulp.—Exchange.

Court Plaster for Kid Gloves.

Kid gloves will rip despite our best efforts to keep them in good condition. Instead of sewing them take a small piece of court plaster or surgeon's plaster (the latter is the better), turn the glove wrong side out and neatly apply the plaster over the rent or rip, first having drawn the rent part of the glove nicely together.

Our all-wool, fast-black hosiery at reduced prices to clear out stock. Linn & Scruggs D. G. & C. Co. d&wtf

WOMAN IN POLITICS.

Capital Statesmen Discussing the Application of the New Law.

A telegram from Springfield states that members of the Prohibition party in that part of the state are very seriously disturbed over one feature of the Australian ballot law. Heretofore in party conventions in many counties it has been the habit to allow women seats and to permit them to vote on nominations. It now appears doubtful, to say the least, whether this can be done in future.

The meaning of the term "qualified voter," as used in the Australian ballot law, is what has started this discussion. The law provides:

Any convention of delegates, and any caucus or meeting of qualified voters, as hereinafter defined, and individual voters to the number and in the manner hereinafter specified, may nominate candidates for public office, whose names shall be placed upon the ballots to be furnished as hereinafter provided.

The Prohibitionists who have looked to the active women of the party for so much of their sympathy and support in their conventions, now admit that the new law will make it impossible for women to be delegates to town, city, county or state conventions, unless the women's school election law would make women "qualified voters" within the meaning of Australian law. There is only one convention, probably, in which women could, therefore, sit as delegates, and that is the National convention. Some do not take this view of the law, and hold that women can still participate in conventions.

Birthday Festivities.

Mr. and M. Geo. Gleason entertained a number of friends and neighbors on Feb. 6th, at their pleasant home, three miles southwest of Dalton City. One thing that made the occasion more enjoyable was that the party was a complete surprise to Mr. Gleason, that day being his 49th birthday anniversary. His wife, who is a most estimable little lady, always striving to do something for the pleasure and benfit of her friends, planned a surprise for him, a grand dinner party. She managed everything so nicely that he never suspicioned how many good things were being cooked to tickle the palate of their friends. She did part of the cooking while he was at Windsor attending to a fine farm he bought there last fall. To say the dinner was good is not enough—it was splendid. It displayed the culinary art of Mrs. Gleason and the young lady that helped prepare it. To judge from the way the guests partook of the many delicacies I think they would all agree with me when I say the dinner was a grand success. All present seemed to enjoy themselves very much. Mr. Gleason received several nice presents. We hope he will live to enjoy many more pleasant anniversaries. We regret very much that he and his family are soon to leave our neighborhood and move on their farm near Windsor. We wish them much happiness and great success.

Among those present were Mr. and Mrs. Shelton, Mr. and Mrs. A. Dickson and family, Mr. and Mrs. Rough and family, Mr. and Mrs. W. Cole, Mr. and Mrs. Swinney and family, Mrs. Zickafoose and children, Mr. and Mrs. Henry Gleason, Little Nellie and Master Allen Gleason, Miss Mattie Cole, Misses Ruby and Eva Surdam, Mr. Robert Shelton, Miss Maggie Grace and Misses Alla and Nina Dickson. A GUEST.

Sales of Real Estate.

Francis H. Mooney to Agnes Moore, his interest in the south half of the southwest quarter of 26; the southeast quarter of 27; the northeast quarter of the northeast quarter of 34, and the north half of the northwest quarter of 35; all in 17, 1 west; 360 acres Niantic township—$3,500.

Robert Woods to Thomas M. Hill, deed to 20 acres in 28, 16, 2 east—$1000.

Ruth Langley to A. L. Gepford, deed to north half of lot 5, block 2, Philip Bell's addition to Blue Mound—$500.

Sarah D. Swayne to Geo. P. Davis, deed to the east half of 12, 18, 1 east and all of 7, 18, 1 east—$48,565.

Geo. P. Davis to Sarah D. Swayne, deed to the northwest quarter 12, 16, 1 east—$8,830.

Decatur Electric Street Railway Co. to William L. Shellabarger, deed to lot 4 34x45 feet in block 1, Oglesby's addition—$2000.

Anna M. Reid quit claim to Wm. E. Reid, the east half of the southwest quarter of 23, 18, 1; being 80 acres in Austin township—$1.

L. B. Casner to Newton Snyder, lots 1 and 2, and the south half of lot 3, in block 3, in the village of Casner—$1,500.

B. C. Ihlenfieldt to George Jacobsen, deed to lots 4, 5, 6 and 7 block 6, in Niantic—$340.

Thomas Hobson to William A. Waddell, deed to lots 14 and 15, block 3, in Niantic—$300.

John S. Southwick to John Humphries, deed to lot 6, block 7, Forsyth—$245.

John K. Warren et al to Samuel Carson, deed to lot 16, block 9, Carver's addition—$275.

I. Baldwin to H. I. Baldwin, deed to lots 36x150 on West Main street, including house—$4,500.

George W. Martin to Mary F., a lot 80x168 on Colfax street, Decatur—$400.

Louisa Banks to R. G. Hockaday, lot 6 in Montgomery & Hall's addition to Decatur—$800.

Had to Pay.

Sullivan *News:* Conductor Richmond of the P., D. & E., who was recently arrested for striking Aaron Blackwell while on his train, appeared before Esq. Patterson Wednesday and paid a fine of $5 and costs, $11 65 altogether. Some parties were on the train raising a disturbance, pulling the bell rope, etc. In an altercation about the matter Richmond struck Blackwell, with the above result.

Miles' Nerve and Liver Pills.

Act on a new principle—regulating the liver, stomach and bowels *through the nerves.* A new discovery. Dr. Miles' Pills speedily cure biliousness, bad taste, torpid liver, piles, constipation. Unequaled for men, women, children. Smallest, mildest, surest. 30 doses, 25 cts. Samples free, at W. C. Armstrong's drug store. d&w

HOME FROM DWIGHT.

Decatur Delegates to the Gold Cure Convention.

From Thursday's Daily.

The Decatur club delegates to Dwight, where they attended the first convention of the Bichloride of Gold clubs, have returned home, and will give a detailed report to Decatur graduates at the office of George B. Scott to-night. The convention at Dwight closed with a great love feast. The society gave up the name of the World's Bichloride of Gold club and adopted that of the Associated Keeley Bichloride of Gold clubs. The requisites for membership were fixed as follows:

No person shall be eligible to membership in this association who has not taken the Keeley bichloride of gold treatment for alcoholic, narcotic or nervous diseases, and no man shall be admitted to membership who is in any way connected with the sale or manufacture of alcoholic stimulants as a beverage, or who has lapsed after his treatment, or who has contracted one habit after having been cured of another.

There was a very spirited discussion over this article of the constitution, as Mr. Wilson of Denver wished to amend so as to admit liquor dealers to the privileges of the clubs while undergoing treatment. The amendment received finally only nine votes out of 211. The Rev. Mr. Davis and "Jake" Hoofstitler were appointed organizers and lecturers.

The following officers were elected: President, S. E. Moore, Pittsburg; Vice presidents, W. S. Arnold, Washington, and Frank P. Clark, Kansas City; Sec'y and Treasurer, Hon. J. D. Kehoe, Ky.; Directors—W. M. Burris, Liberty, Mo.; John J. Flynn, Chicago; the Hon. Walter Young, St. Joseph, Mo.; D. V. Youngblood, Carbondale, Ill.; D. G. Wooten, Dallas, Texas; J. M. Kelly, Pittsburg; A. Calhoun, New York; S. A. McLean, Michigan; James A. Merritt, Minnesota; W. G. Richardson, Kansas; Edward F. Mullen, California. The Executive Committee will appoint an advisory committee in each State, and an organization will be perfected in each county in the United States where there are three Keeley graduates. The delegation from the Iowa Keeley leagues announced that that state would unite with the associated Keeley Bichloride of Gold clubs.

A number of branch institutes has been arranged for with the Leslie E. Keeley company during the last few days. Among these are Memphis, Tenn., Rockford, Ill., also Excelsior Springs, Clay County, Mo., and a large number of applications are being considered. Dr. Leslie E. Keeley was elected Honorary President, and made a few remarks. He congratulated the convention upon the harmony which had characterized their proceedings. He said: "This is the strongest body of men in the United States. The clubs are going forward shoulder to shoulder to success. In your hands is the solution of the liquor question in America, through practical temperance. I expect to be assailed; that my methods of cure will be attacked by the medical profession and the liquor-dealers' trust. The defense will be made by the organization perfected this day. We have no fear of such attacks, for over 50,000 men in the United States to-day say the cure is all right. It is permanent."

Arguments in the Inter-State Case.

From Thursday's Daily.

In the United States District court at Springfield yesterday, Judge Allen heard the argument on the demurrer to the indictment of Milton Knight, general traffic manager of the Wabash road, for charging less than regular traffic rates for the transportation of a large shipment of flour by Kohlor Bros., from Litchfield, Ill., to Montreal, Canada, for export. The effect of the court sustaining the demurrer would be to practically quash the indictment. Mr. Knight's attorney contended that the bill of the grand jury was deficient in that it did not charge that the lessening of the rate was secured through false classification or false weight, as specified in the inter-state commerce act, and also that the court had no jurisdiction because the point to which the shipment was billed is outside of the United States. General Solicitor H. W. Blodgett and Mr. B. C. Winston of St. Louis and Messrs. Green and Humphrey of Springfield represented Mr. Knight, and Major James A. Connolly presented the case for the government. The court has the matter under advisement.

Wanted to Follow His Wife.

Mrs. Mary Hitsabeck was buried at Shelbyville Tuesday, and yesterday her husband, Fred L. Hitsabeck, aged 68 years, killed himself in a fit of despondency. For fifty years he had been a resident of Shelbyville, and, at one time was quite wealthy, but a dissolute life bankrupted him.

La Grippe Again.

During the epedemic of La Grippe last season Dr. King's New Discovery for Consumpton, Coughs and Colds, proved to be the best remedy. Reports from the many who used it confirm this statement. They were not only quickly cured but the disease left no bad results. We ask you to give this remedy a trial and we guarantee that you will be satisfied with results, or the purchase money will be refunded. It has no equal in La Grippe, or any throat, chest or lung trouble. Trial bottles free at King & Woods drug store. Large bottles, 50c., and $1.00. bm

"Fast Black Hosiery,"

In Silk, Lisle Thread and Linwood Hosiery. New Spring stock just opened at Linn & Scruggs D. G. & C. Co. d&w

A SWEDE in Lima, Ohio, yesterday split his heart in twain with a knife.

DEATH OF HENRY HUMMELL.

Lived to a Ripe Old Age—A Veteran and a Mason.

From Saturday's Daily.

Uncle Henry Hummell, one of the oldest residents of Decatur, passed away in death at 1:05 o'clock this afternoon at the home of his daughter, Mrs. Mary Smalley, at 327 East Wood street, in the 90th year of his age. The deceased had been in poor health since last September, when he was prostrated by the heat during the laying of the corner stone of the new court house. That day he stood in the sun too long and he became alarmingly ill, but he revived, and with his indomitable will kept moving about when he should have been in bed. He was in the Knight Templar ranks at the funeral of the late J. W. Haworth, and last Sunday, despite the snow blizzard, he attended services at the Presbyterian church. He was out again on Monday, when he experienced a paralytic attack. Since then he remained in the house, but this forenoon he was walking about the sitting room, and conversed with his daughter and his granddaughter, Mrs. J. C. Latebaugh, in an intelligible manner. Death came to him while he was in bed, and he passed away calmly and peacefully, to join his wife, who preceded him to the other shore in 1878.

Mr. Hummell was born at Greencastle, Pennsylvania, January 16, 1803, and had been a resident of Decatur since 1839, a period of 53 years. He married Rachel Garver, sister of the late David Garver. She died in 1878. The surviving children of Mr. Hummell are John Hummell of Seattle, Wash.; David Hummell of Lincoln, Ill.; Mrs. Mary Smalley of Decatur; Mrs. Amanda Cottom of Taylorville, Ill.; Mrs. William Alexander of Colby, Washington; Mrs. Rachel Bear, of Denver, Colo., and Mrs. Emma Garver of Springfield. Since Decatur has been anything of a town Mr. Hummell has been a familiar figure in society and church affairs. He has been a life long Mason, a member of Macon Lodge, No. 8, and of Beaumanior Commandery, No. 9, Knights Templar. At one time he was an Odd Fellow. He joined the Presbyterian church early in life and was was a regular attendant at the services. When the war broke out he became a member of the 21st Illinois Regiment, and was a drummer. He was in the service three months. The deceased was a silversmith by occupation, but he was not actively engaged in any business during his residence in Decatur. For many years he resided on East Main street but gave up housekeeping after the death of his wife. Politically the deceased was an ardent Republican, and socially he was a congenial companion. Mr. Hummell was a good man, and he leaves to his children the heritage of a good name. Many of the old settlers will miss Mr. Hummell at reunion gatherings which he never failed to attend, and none were freer to recall old times than was the deceased. He possessed a good memory and was proud of the fact that he had lived so long to mingle with his children, his grandchildren and his many friends.

GRADE CROSSING HORRORS.

Their Frequency Will Drive Surface Roads Out of Chicago.

The various railways entering Chicago will refuse to elevate their tracks and transfer their base of operations. It is proposed to build a new belt line with which each road will make connections, all tracks, depots and other property within the city limits to be absolutely abandoned. The Chicago and Northwestern estimates that to elevate the 190 miles of surface track which it owns in the city will cost $65,000,000. There are nearly 1500 miles of surface tracks in Chicago proper, and on this basis the cost of complete elevation would run into figures somewhere between $600,000,000 and $900,000,000.

Behind the scheme are all the Vanderbilt roads, including the Chicago and Northwestern and six other companies. The motive for this radical departure is the agitation resulting from the daily horrors from crossings.

DeWitt County Republicans.

The Republicans of DeWitt county through their representative on the county central committee, have decided to call the convention to meet at Clinton, March 22. The committee was well represented. It was decided also to urge the holding of the township elections under the new law, which the committee says does apply.

Accepting His Resignation.

"I wish you to witness," sobbed the horse thief, under the limb, "that I die with resignation."

"You hear what he says, boys," replied the leader of the vigilantes. "All in favor of accepting his resignation will please signify the same by pulling on the rope."

Height of Cruelty.

Nervous women seldom receive the sympathy they deserve. While often the pictures of health, they are constantly ailing. To withhold sympathy from the unfortunates is the height of cruelty. They have a weak heart, causing shortness of breath, fluttering, pain in the side, weak and hungry spells, and finally swelling of ankles, oppression, choking, smothering and dropsy. Dr. Miles' New Heart Cure is just the thing for them. For their nervousness, headache, weakness, etc. his Restorative Nervine is unequaled. Fine treatise on "Heart and Nervous Diseases" and marvelous testimonials free. Sold and guaranteed by W. C. Armstrong. d&w

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OWEN SCOTT'S FATHER.

The Congressman's Venerable Sire at the Point of Death

Bloomington Leader,

Hon Owen Sco t was in the city last last night, on his way to his old home in Effingham county, where he was summoned from Chicago yesterday by a telegram announcing the dangerous illness of his father Mr Scott departed for his home early this morning. His father's sickness is considered as probably fatal and it may be by this time the aged gentleman is dead

Dr. John Scott, the father of the congressman, is one of the best known characters of the county where he lives, in the southern part of the state. His home for some years past has been at Watson, a little village of several hundred people about seven miles south of Effingham, the county seat. Mr Scott is over 80 years old and both he and his venerable wife have for years been subject to the infirmities of age. However, the old gentleman s wonderful vitality preserved his activity to a remarkable degree and his interest in current affairs seldom waves The energy and steady advancement of the son who now represents this district in congress has been the pride of his later years, although there are other sons who are good citizens where they live. The elder Mr. Scott spent most of his life in Effingham county, and it was there that Owen was born in 1842. For a number of years the old gentleman and his wife lived in the city of Effingham, and the old house where they dwelt still stands as one of the landmarks of the place. When his son Owen left Effingham eight years ago and came to Bloomington, the aged parents also left that place and took up their home in the village of Watson, where they have since lived.

Congressman Scott's full christian name is John Owen, and to his latest day the white-haired sire referred to his aspiring son as "Johnnie" Mrs. Scott, mother of the congressman, is also far advanced in years The celebration of the golden wedding anniversary of this couple some years ago was an event of great social interest throughout the country, for few of the pioneers of that region are better known than Mr and Mrs Scott.

THE FAMOUS CHICAGO OPTICIAN

Coming to Decatur Again

It is with pleasure we make the announcement that Charles Lincoln Smith is to visit Decatur again The noble and successful work done by him on his last visit here has been extensively commented upon, and as he has given universal satisfaction and thoroughly proven his reliability, there is no doubt that those who missed the opportunity to have their eyes examined by this great expert will take advantage of this visit and call on him at the St Nicho'as hotel February 27 and 29. Your eye sight is precious, more valuable than any of the other special senses He gives attention to "errors of refraction" Most people wear glasses that fail to correct the last named trouble. You may know so if you have blurring, dizziness, neuralgia, headache, spots before the eye, inflammation, granulation, winking, trembling spells, cataract, burning and smarting of the eyes, various nervous and brain affections, etc, entailing not only positive injury to the sight, but untold misery. Remember it costs no more to employ a first-class expert, than it does to risk your vision with inexperienced hands. Consultation costs nothing.

JOHN MYERS NOT GUILTY.

A Quick Verdict of Acquittal for the Defendant.

Saturday afternoon the jury in the John Myers burglary and larceny case from Oreana, after receiving the instructions of the court, reached a verdict in short order On entering the jury room each juryman without a word of consultation sought the table and a piece of paper, wrote out his verdict, and when the papers were read over each one said "Not guilty." The verdict was written up to that effect, the report was made in due form, and the defendant was discharged. It was a hard-fought case on both sides and entailed heavy expense on the county.

Death at Columbus, Ohio

From Wednesday's Daily

Mrs. Minnie Fearn Huston, aged 22 years, wife of Claude Huston, died of consumption, at her home in Columbus, Ohio, yesterday. News of her death was received in Decatur to-day. Deceased was a niece of Mrs. I. N. Coltrin, and a cousin of W. O Fearn and Miss Carrie Fearn. She visited Decatur about fifteen months ago, when she was single. Then she was the picture of health, and was present at several social gatherings in the city After her marriage to Mr. Huston, who was a consumptive, she contracted quick consumption, and Mr H. became strong and hearty. The lady was taken to California and Europe for the benefit of her health, but the disease had such a hold upon her that no treatment or change of climate would give even temporary relief.

W. H Shorb, Justice.

Capt. W H Shorb is formally announced to-day as a candidate for justice of the peace, a position for which his mature judgment and knowledge of the law eminently qualify him. His name will go before the Republican township convention, and he will abide the decision of that body of delegates. Captain Shorb, who has many personal friends throughout the city and township, would make an excellent justice His nomination would be equivalent to an election.

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AT THE TOMB.

Services Over the Remains of Henry Hummell—Remarks by Dr. E. W. Moore and Rev. W H Penhallegon

From Monday's Daily

The services over the remains of Henry Hummell took place at the old Presbyterian church this morning at 10 o'clock. The body was in charge of Beaumanoir Commandery, Knights Templar, and Dunham Post, Grand Army of the Republic, acted as escort The pall bearers were D S Shellabarger, Geo. W. Bright, Milton Johnson, W. E Nelson, J. W Butman and Frank Young. The singing was by a quartet consisting of D L Bunn, O. N. Brown, Miss Lucy Keeler and Miss Addie Ebert The ceremonies were opened by the quartet singing "Nearer, My God, to Thee," and the reading of a portion of scripture by Rev. W. H. Penhallegon, which was followed by prayer and the singing of "Asleep in Jesus."

DR. MOORE'S ADDRESS

Dr. E. W. Moore then said: It is about thirty-five years ago when I first became acquainted with our friend He was born before the great enterprises of this country were founded—think it was about 1803, before there were any inhabitants in this part of the state. Everything north of Edwardsville was then a wilderness, inhabited only by Indians and wild animals. It was the limit of the west, as the Mississippi was the western boundary

He was born, however, in stormy times While he was developing there was a large development in all lines in this country. He was about 4 years old when Fulton put his steamboat on the Hudson. While he was a young man the first steamboat moved up the Mississippi. He was about seven years old when the first railroad was built. He was born before the days of the telegraph—was probably 50 years old when the first telegram was sent

Providence favored him by giving him a life covering these times. He was deeply patriotic—the beat of the drum, or the sight of the flag begot in him patriotic enthusiasm. He went to the war, but was too old to serve. He saw the flag grow from its infancy to its great power He has thus been favored by Providence above measure He was 90 years old I thought when I saw him a few days ago he looked as young as he did forty years ago—a remarkable man for his years

I do not look upon death as an unmitigated evil. Old men do not feel the attachment to earth that young people do He said to me, within a few days ago that he wanted to go home. Not long since, when visiting the grave of his wife he said "Mother, it will not be long until I will be with you."

He died apparently without pain. He slept and awoke in Paradise. He approached Jordan without dread—there was no swelling nor lashings of the waters. He was a good citizen in every way, and his spirit will live. He had no enemies. I have never heard any one speak evil of him. May his home on the other side be full of peace

REV. W. H. PENHALLEGON'S REMARKS

This man who lived so long looked out without any fears into the beyond. Before his sickness he named the men who should bear his body to the tomb. He spoke of Dr. Moore and myself to speak over his remains. Carlisle has said "A man's religion is the chief thing which dominates him." Our friend was a christian—perhaps not an enthusiast, but he looked up to God with reverence and had been a member of this church for years. A week ago yesterday he was at church in the opera house to hear his old pastor, Dr. Marquis Ten days ago he spoke to me about his coming death as coolly as if it were an ordinary affair, so when the last hour came, talking to his friends before dying, he stretched out his arms and said "I am going." He was an enthusiastic Knight Templar, he loved the society and its christian principles, and was an exponent of them. But he has gone from us all to God that gave him. And while he shall be laid away, beyond this life, whence many have gone, he has gone to join them.

The quartet then sang "Abide with Me," and after the Commandery executed the ritualistic burial service of the Knight Templar, the remains were exposed to view, and after all had looked for the last time on the face of Henry Hummell the body was taken to its last resting place in Greenwood Cemetery.

After the Home.

Interest increases in Homer, in Champaign county, over the possibility of having the home for mothers and wives of soldiers located there. Mr. Tinkham, who is at the head of the executive committee of the Women's Relief Corps of Illinois, is working untiringly, and is being rewarded by having the amount of subscriptions increased almost daily A majority of the leading men of Homer have subscribed, or will subscribe, and others, in limited circumstances, have given to the noble work according to their means. The Decatur Relief Corps has donated $100 to the home.

NOT FAR AWAY.

Electric Railway from Chicago to St. Louis—Time, Three Hours.

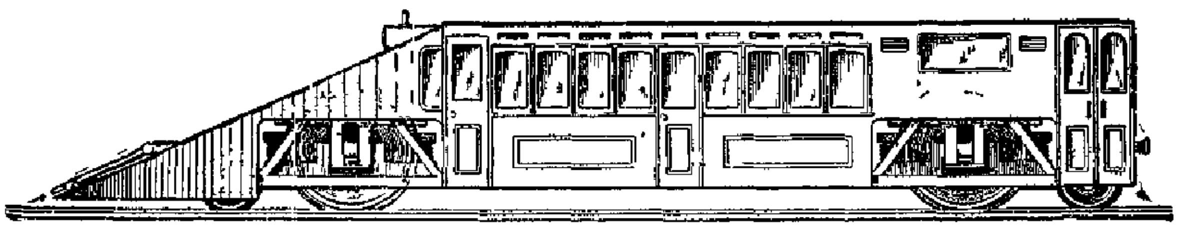
A VIEW OF THE AIR LINE ROUTE.

It will Pass Through Austin Township, Macon County, Close to Warrensburg—Picture of the Lightning Car

In recent issues the Republican has told its readers of a great enterprise on foot—the construction and operation of an air line electric railway from Chicago to St Louis, the distance to be covered within three hours. The accompanying cut of one of the cars to be used was designed by the company. It will be seen that it is constructed to cut the wind and make things lively for such obstructions as stock, street cars, wagons and even steam railway cars that may be in the way The idea of running a heavy train of freight or passenger cars by electricity from Chicago to St Louis inside of three hours may seem absurd at this time, but when we consider that it is within the last half dozen years that electricity has come into use as a motive power, the thought that it shall be harnessed down to regular railway work need not be surprising That the projected route is no rattle brained idea, as some may imagine, is evidenced by the list of stockholders who are pushing the enterprise Some of the ablest financiers in St Louis and the state of Missouri are interested in its development, and the entire country through which the road passes will be equally interested in its success Dr. Wellington Adams, who is the general manager of the proposed road, studied out this question of electric transit and had it patented eight years ago

To show that the managers mean business a surveying party took the field some weeks ago, beginning at both ends of the route, and it is expected that the survey will be completed within sixty days. The plan laid out shows three lines. If one of the lines is adopted the road will pass directly through Clinton and then north through Bloomington, northeast to Kankakee, and then into Chicago The projectors expect to have it completed in time to carry passengers to the World's Fair in 1893 Decatur can then go to Chicago on a morning flyer, spend the day in doing the fair, and be home at night in time to go to bed

Warrensburg will be the nearest point for Decatur to make to connect with the through electric car, and a branch electric line will be run from this city to that town This is the present plan. The citizens can board the electric car in the morning and reach St. Louis or Chicago before business begins or the banks open, spend the day in either city and get back home in time to attend prayer meeting or go to a social gathering.



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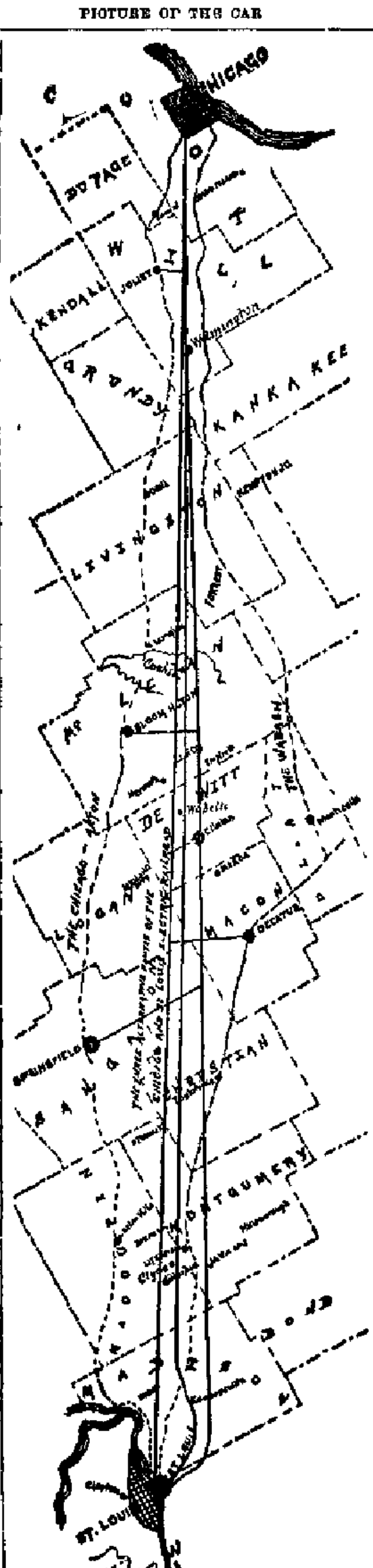

ROUTE FROM CHICAGO TO ST. LOUIS.

Out of Jail.

Frank Smallwood, taken from Hume to Jacksonville on a charge of forgery, last Saturday, succeeded in furnishing the required $200 bail yesterday, through the personal efforts of Attorney C. C Leforgee, and last night Frank passed through Decatur en route to his home near Hume. State Senator E L. Mc Donald of Jacksonville, was accepted as bondsman for Smallwood

HOW HE WAS CAUGHT.

Referring to the case the Jacksonville *Journal* tells how Frank was located at Hume by the officer following Mrs Smallwood from Decatur. The *Journal* says "Smallwood was arrested by Policeman Ed White at Hume Saturday morning White went to Decatur Friday and that night followed Smallwood's wife to the Douglas county village, near which she was living. She went to one of the hotels of the town and thither the policeman repaired also Both spent the night there, and in the morning the officer saw her talking with the man he wanted. Calling him aside he read him the warrant and placed him under arrest"

The original figure on the forged check was $4 35 It was raised to $25 35. The check was cashed at the saloon of C. Batz & Son, Jacksonville, last August

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J. B Woodruff, Jeffersonville, Ind writes "For ten years I had been an invalid I became a chronic medicine taker There is not a blood remedy or a tonic advertised that I did not try From none of them did I derive any permanent good I became discouraged. My system was full of blood impurities My skin was covered in places with brown patches and little sores My muscles had lost their strength I was very weak My

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and digestion were miserable I kept growing worse and worse until I began to use Dr Bull's Sarsaparilla I then began to rally at once, and grew stronger and stronger, my improvement in looks and feeling is so great I seem like another person I give the whole credit of my recovery to Dr Bull's Sarsaparilla"

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